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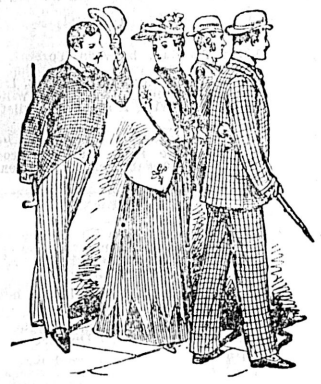

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INDIAN EDUCATION.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Cardinal Gibbons, in behalf of himself and the archbishops of the Catholic church in America, has submitted a petition to congress asking that the question of the contract school system be re-opened and that congress again go over the whole subject of Indian education.

FOOLING THE ELECTORS

Provincial Minister Promises Alberni to Take Off Taxes and Build Roads.

Announces That Cowichan Is to Be Captured by Col. Gregory of Victoria.

The Colonel Denies This Campaign Story—Why the Writ Has Not Issued.

Special to the Colonist.

Alberni, Dec. 8.—A public meeting in connection with the provincial bye-election campaign was held here last evening, and was well attended, the electors showing great interest in the contest.

Mr. Neill, the government candidate, complained that the opposition were bringing outside influence to bear in order to gain the seat, and referred particularly to the visit of Mr. McPhillips, M. P. P.-elect. As to that gentleman's exposition of the new government's policy of awarding provincial offices to ministers' friends from other provinces, Mr. Neill could see no reason why Mr. Martin should not bring his deputy from an outside province.

Notwithstanding Mr. Neill's protest against "outside influence," he was succeeded by Hon. Dr. McKechnie, of Nanaimo, who made an earnest plea for support for the government candidate, and declared that the prospects of Alberni were bound up in the result of this election. He announced that the government was prepared to take steps to develop the mines and roads of the Alberni district within a very short time. He pledged himself to the miners that the $5 license now required would be repealed in the near future. He was also prepared to pledge that the present government would abolish the mortgage tax. He appealed to the electors to support Mr. Neill, in recognition of his honesty in resigning the seat upon discovering his infraction of an act of which up to that time he had been ignorant. Dr. McKechnie claimed that the standing of the two parties in the legislature is now 20 government, 15 opposition and 2 independent. There was another seat at Cowichan which the government were sure of, for they would have no less a candidate than Col. Gregory, lately defeated in Victoria City. Hon. Joseph Martin, he announced, would be here on the evening of the 14th, and the electors would have an opportunity of judging whether he is so bumptious as represented. With regard to the recent circular directed to the coroners of the province, Dr. McKechnie approved of it, and he read an extract from a Vancouver newspaper to show that Dr. McGuigan, of that city, had expressed approval of them, after he had received explanation on several points from Mr. Martin.

Mr. S. Eli Jones—"How about the death of Mr. McGregor, and what about the enquiry?"

Dr. McKechnie proceeded to explain that an enquiry had been opened but adjourned in consequence of the required witnesses not being able to attend the court. He defended the procedure of Hon. Mr. Martin in importing a deputy from an outside province. He stated that he was in Victoria on the day that Mr. F. Macrae was dismissed, and he knew that two provincial policemen stated to Hon. Mr. Martin that the magistrate gave a decision against the weight of the evidence in the case of the sailor Liddy.

Mr. Ralph Smith, M. P. P.-elect, said that in his opinion the late government had exercised tyranny over the working man, and worked for the interest of the few, instead of the many. Mr. Ward claimed many friends on being a Canadian born, but the late government had only one member, Hon. D. M. Eberts, who was a native Canadian. He made the Chinese question a prominent feature of his address. He eulogized the late inspector of mines, Mr. Dick, as being an able man and conscientious, but he claimed that Mr. Dick was under the influence of the Dunsmuirs, and therefore was properly removed. He appealed to the audience for support for his party's candidate.

After a vote of thanks to the chairman, the meeting closed.

In connection with Dr. McKechnie's announcement of Col. Gregory's candidature in Cowichan, word has been passed privately that a cabinet position is to be the reward of both candidate and constituency should the Colonel be elected. The money saved by reducing the road laborers' pay in Cowichan and Alberni would help to pay the extra salary.

DENIED BY COL. GREGORY.

Colonel Gregory being interviewed last night in reference to Dr. McKechnie's announcement, stated that he had never been asked to run, nor had he made any announcement of intending to do so; in fact he expects to go to his home in the East to spend the Christmas holidays. He knew nothing about any cabinet position coming his way.

THE COWICHAN WRIT.

One explanation of the delay in issuing the writ for Cowichan is that Mr. Sword is now engaged in missionary work in that constituency and will not permit the issue of the writ or any important step to be taken in his absence.

JAPANESE FINANCES.

Increase of Land Tax to Meet Deficit Threatens Another Political Crisis.

Yokohama, Dec. 8.—The government has introduced in the diet a bill providing for increasing the land tax by fourteen million yen, towards the estimated budget deficit of thirty million yen. The remainder of the amount required will be raised by other taxation. It is believed these proposals will lead to a rupture of the understanding between the cabinet and the liberals.

COAL DOCK ON FIRE.

West Superior Summons Aid From St. Paul—Three Lives Lost.

West Superior, Wis., Dec. 8.—The fire department is unable to control the fire on the coal dock which started yesterday, and aid has been asked from St. Paul. The loss already is estimated at $150,000. Four hundred feet of dock has gone into the lake and 200 feet more is so badly burned as to require rebuilding. Only one man was saved of the four carried into the lake by the falling coal yesterday.

HAVANA'S NEW GARRISON.

Washington, Dec. 8.—The steamer Roumania sailed to-day from Savannah, carrying the entire First regiment of North Carolina, with their transportation to serve as part of the garrison of Havana. The Second Illinois regiment was loaded to-day at Savannah for the same destination.

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HEROISM ON ATLANTIC

Forty-Five Seamen Taken From Sinking Ship in Midst of Frightful Gale.

At Imminent Peril of Their Own Lives the Rescuers Struggled for Two Days.

Twenty-Five of the Crew Still on Board When Wrecked Ship Disappeared.

By Associated Press.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 8.—The Johnston line steamship Vedamore, of Liverpool, Capt. Robert Bartlett, for whose safety fears were beginning to be felt, as she was several days overdue, arrived this morning with 45 shipwrecked mariners, whom she had picked up at sea. Twenty-five others went down with the ship. The men landed are survivors of the British steamship Londonian, of London, bound from Boston for London with a large general cargo and 650 cattle on deck. She left Boston November 15, and on November 23, in a violent gale, her cargo shifted and she almost capsized, finally resting on her beam ends, with big seas breaking over her. Her crew were helpless to right her, and for two days she drifted about at the mercy of the wind and waves.

Assistance came at 5 o'clock on the morning of November 25. The Vedamore hove in sight five miles distant, and as it was still quite dark the Londonian burned signal fires and fired distress rockets. The signals were seen by the officer on the Vedamore's bridge, and reported to Capt. Bartlett, who gave immediate orders that the Vedamore's course be changed. It did not take the Vedamore long to cover the five miles that lay between them, and as soon as she arrived alongside she was signalled to stand by.

"Do you wish to abandon the ship?" was signalled from the Vedamore, and Capt. Lee of the Londonian replied that he wanted the Vedamore to tow his ship. Capt. Bartlett saw at a glance that this was an impossibility, and refused to attempt it, as it would endanger his own ship. Capt. Lee soon afterwards signalled, "Will abandon ship," and at noon, in the teeth of a stiff gale, Second Officer Hobbs and a volunteer crew launched one of the Vedamore's boats and attempted to reach the sinking Londonian.

For three hours the sturdy Britons battled with wind and waves in a vain attempt to reach her, but were finally forced to return to their ship. Capt. Bartlett then steamed to windward of the doomed steamer and tried to fire a rocket with lines attached over the wreck, hoping by that means that the seamen in peril could be saved. After a number of vain attempts this idea was abandoned, and as it grew too dark to do anything more, Capt. Bartlett signalled, "Will stand by you till morning." The piteous signal, "For God's sake don't leave us," came back in reply, and every man of the crew of the Vedamore pledged his life to rescue the helpless ones. During the night the wind increased, and by morning it was blowing very hard.

Then it was that another means of rescue was decided upon. For hours life buoys with lines attached were floated to the Londonian, and at last her crew succeeded in getting one aboard. A heavier line was stretched between the vessels, and one of the Vedamore's life boats was improvised as a life car to be hauled between the two ships. It made a trip successfully, and 22 half frozen, exhausted men were hauled up over the high side of the Vedamore and given every comfort the ship afforded. As the boat was going back to the Londonian wreck a big sea broke over it and capsized it. Another broke over it and demolished it. The lines were also carried away and the communication broken.

Chief Officer Boran of the Vedamore then stepped up to Capt. Bartlett and volunteered to launch another life boat to attempt the rescue. Another set of brave seamen dropped down into her as she touched the water and she sped away through the waves. The seas were by this time terrific and that she lived five minutes seemed a miracle. It was only owing to the splendid manner in which she was handled that she lived it out. For two hours the boat's crew struggled at the oars, but could not get closer than within sixty yards of the wreck. They were at last forced to give up and return to their ship and in doing so the boat was smashed against the ship's side and lost. They all came near drowning but were hauled aboard with lines.

Another night of peril and fear passed. The next morning 23 men of the Londonian succeeded in launching one of their own boats and reached the Vedamore in safety. Their boat also was lost and all that day was spent in trying to again establish communication with the wreck. The gale was constantly increasing and all efforts to save the others were in vain. Even after night had fallen, the

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NEWS OF THE CAPITAL

Canadian Ministers Guests of New Yorker With an Axe to Grind Before the Commission.

Government Inaction Paralyzes Efforts to Establish Nickel Industry in the Dominion.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Dec. 8.—Local Liberals are aghast at the indiscretion of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Sir Louis Davies in accepting the hospitality of R. M. Thomson of New York, who got up a big junketing trip for the international commissioners. Mr. Thomson is president of the Oxford Smelting company and is interested in preventing the imposition by Canada of an export duty on nickel, as his company controls the entire output of the Sudbury mines. The Globe correspondent told of the hospitalities but neglected to send from Washington that Mr. Thomson and his associates have this week appeared before the British commissioners and urged that no export duty be imposed. Meanwhile, owing to the government's inactivity, the efforts of Canadian capitalists are paralyzed. A. T. Wood, M.P., and his associates have had three offers from England for the entire shares of the Canadian Nickel Steel Co. amounting to $20,000,000, providing an export duty on nickel is imposed.

General Hutton contemplates bringing the Royal Regiment Canadian Infantry to Ottawa next August for a month's training.

Capt. Mosgrove, son of County Judge Mosgrove, has received an Imperial commission and been attached to the Royal Essex regiment now stationed in India.

Samuel Stewart has been promoted to be chief clerk in the Indian department in succession to A. N. McNeill, deceased.

Mr. Mulock contemplates the collection and delivery of mail matter as far as possible in cities by the electric car systems. The "late fee" system of which letters posted after regular hours for closing mails are sent to mail trains by special delivery, will be adopted if sanctioned by parliament. It has existed in England for years.

BEER TAX PROTESTED.

Three Hundred Brewers United to Agitate for Removal of War Levy.

New York, Dec. 7.—About three hundred brewers from all parts of the country met here to-day to protest against the continuance of the war tax of a dollar a barrel on beer and to formulate measures to secure its abolishment.

LIMIT OF RECIPROCITY.

American Commissioners Declare the Extent to Which They Might Go.

Washington, Dec. 7.—It is understood that the session of the joint high commission to-day brought more definite developments on the important reciprocity question than have been secured heretofore and that the American side presented a schedule outlining about how far it was possible to go on this subject.

Although the commission has authorized no statement intelligent observers of its work say the American proposition probably includes concessions on barley, live animals, agricultural products and certain ores, and possibly also some concessions on coal. It is is understood not to make concessions on lumber which is the item on which Canadian officials have been most desirous of securing a reduction.

ALASKAN LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

Since Attempts at Prohibition Have Failed High License is Recommended.

Washington, Dec. 6.—The efforts at suppressing the liquor traffic in Alaska are reviewed at considerable length in the annual report of the secretary of the treasury, who says:

"The collector is virtually powerless to enforce the law restricting the introduction and sale of liquor within the territory, by reason of the co-operation and sympathy of almost the entire population of Alaska with those who violate the law, and the failure of juries in Alaska to indict and convict after discovery and arrests have been made. It has been reported to the department that for a number of years not one conviction for violation of the liquor law was had in the courts in that district, and that a former district judge had stated openly, and while he was occupying that high office, that no jury in Alaska would convict any person who violated that law. Information has also been received that where customs officers have seized liquors in saloons and reported the facts to the United States attorney, the grand jury either failed to find true bills or the cases were compromised by the payment of small fines, and the liquor dealers resumed their business with fresh supplies. In view of the constant liability to seizure, but a small quantity of liquor is reported to be kept in the respective saloons, the main supply being carefully hidden and drawn from as occasion requires, so that a seizure by a customs officer means little to the saloon keeper.

"The remedy for the situation, it is believed, may be found in the repeal of the present laws and the provision by congress of a high license system for the territory. It has been demonstrated that the sale of liquor in Alaska cannot be effectually prohibited under present regulations, by reason of the almost universal adverse public sentiment, and it would seem, therefore, the wiser course to confine it within such bounds as would insure its regulation by the government."

SMALLPOX RAMPANT.

Two Hundred Cases in One Small Town in Pennsylvania.

Huntingdon, Pa., Dec. 8.—Among Bedford's population of 2,800 there are about 200 cases of what Dr. W. B. Atkinson, of Philadelphia, inspector of the state board of health, after a thorough examination, says is genuine smallpox.

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HEROISM ON ATLANTIC.

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Vedamore was kept cruising about in the vicinity, but when day broke next morning, the Londonian had vanished. The Vedamore then proceeded to Baltimore.

The wrecked steamer was first sighted in latitude 48:30, longitude 15:10, on November 29. The day after the Vedamore lost sight of her the steamship King Arthur passed her in latitude 45, longitude 16. She was then abandoned and all her boats were gone. It is supposed the remainder of her crew attempted to leave her in their own boats and all hands perished.

Capt. Bartlett was given an ovation by his friends upon his arrival and his hand was shaken by the people as he passed along the street. Capt. Bartlett took the honors modestly and said he had done but the duty of one man to another. The survivors of the wreck are warm in their praise of his treatment of them and say he did every thing in his power for their comfort and welfare. His officers also are highly praised.

The Londonian was a fine steel vessel, built at Glasgow in 1896 and registered 5,532 tons gross. She belonged to the Wilson-Furness-Leyland line. Her original name was Idaho, which was changed to the present name about a year ago.

London, Dec. 8.—A life boat, apparently belonging to the lost Furness line steamship Londonian, has been sighted. The boat was seen on December 2 in latitude 48, longitude 14. There were some oars on board but no signs of life.

CUBAN TRADE.

Reciprocity With the United States Recommended by the Commissioner.

Kingston, Jamaica, Dec. 7.—United States customs commissioner Porter arrived here from Cuba to-day on the Admiral Sampson and started for home. He says his investigations indicate the desirability of reciprocity between Cuba and the United States. The commissioner has framed a Cuban tariff, which will be promulgated on his arrival. It opens the Cuban market to all nations on equal terms. Commissioner Porter says the Cubans are perfectly fit for self government.

SNOW SHUTS IN BUFFALO.

Another Heavy Fall Stops Traffic on the Railroads.

Buffalo, Dec. 7.—Following closely upon the heavy snow storm of Sunday last came another of unusual severity to-day. The city was enveloped in a cloud of blinding snow, accompanied by high winds the greater part of the day. Traffic was greatly delayed.

Late in the afternoon traffic on the roads entering Buffalo was greatly impeded, and by nightfall it had been entirely suspended on some of them. The storm appears to be a local one.

LORD CHARLES BERESFORD.

Starting for Home Next Month Probably via One of the American Routes.

Shanghai, Dec. 7.—Rear Admiral Lord Charles Beresford, member of parliament for York City, who has been in China for some time on behalf of the British associated chambers of commerce, will start on his home voyage early next month, going by way of Japan and the United States.

SANTIAGO SHAKEN UP.

Timid Americans Thought the Earthquake Was Some Device of Their Enemy's.

Santiago de Cuba, Dec. 7.—Santiago experienced a severe earthquake shock last night, frightening many and destroying a large quantity of crockery. Some of the Americans, not understanding what had happened, were considerably alarmed. A few people ran into the streets in a state of dishabile. The shock lasted several seconds.

MILLIONS FOR ALDERMEN.

Chicago's Civic Rulers Said to Have the Boodling Chance of a Lifetime.

Chicago, Dec. 7.—The fifty-year street railway franchise ordinance introduced in the city council last night has caused one of the biggest municipal fights in the history of the city, and predictions are freely made that blood will be shed before the matter is settled. It is generally conceded that the council will pass the measure. Mayor Harrison has announced his intention of vetoing it, but there is hardly any doubt that it will be passed over his veto.

Anti-franchise meetings are being held nightly. The charge that boodle will be used in securing the passage of the measure is openly made, some of the more radical opponents asserting it is the street railway company's intention to distribute several million dollars where the money will do the most good.

The following advertisement appears in all of the local papers, with one exception, to-day: "Wanted—10,000 strong-limbed and fearless men. Apply at the city council chamber with ropes the night the aldermen attempt to pass the fifty-year franchise robbery. Come prepared to do business."

The ordinance is opposed almost unanimously by the local press.

THE AMBASSADOR'S LECTURE.

French Government Will Inquire Whether Sir Edmund Spoke by Authority.

Paris, Dec. 7.—The Paris newspapers to-day vigorously denounce the speech delivered yesterday evening by the British ambassador, Sir Edmund J. Monson, at the annual meeting of the British chamber of commerce here, as being a commentary and warning in the most offensive form. They say the French ambassador at London, M. Paul Cambon, will certainly be instructed to ask the Marquis of Salisbury whether it was by his orders that Sir Edmund undertook to direct France's foreign policy.

The ambassador's speech has caused a sensation in official and diplomatic circles. The officials here are intensely surprised and express a certain disquietude as it is anticipated Sir Edmund Monson's remarks will have a bad effect in the present condition of French sentiment.

MAD MULLAH FIGHTS AGAIN.

Engages Forces of a Native Ruler—Forty Killed on Each Side.

Bombay, Dec. 7.—Fighting has been renewed in the Swat valley between the Mad Mullah and the forces of the Mawah of Dir. Forty were killed on each side.

ANGLO-SAXON'S POWER

Britons and Americans United Need Have No Fear of Other Combinations.

Mr. Chamberlain Hopes Yet to See Colonies Represented in Imperial Parliament.

By Associated Press.

London, Dec. 8.—Mr. Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies, speaking at a Conservative gathering in Wakefield, Yorkshire, this evening, fully discussed home and foreign affairs and the government's policy in Egypt, which, he said, depended entirely upon the possibility of reaching an understanding with France, a thing which is impossible so long as the French pursue a policy of exasperation.

With regard to the relations between Great Britain and Russia in connection with the Far East, he said that, while hitherto the endeavors to reach an agreement had failed, he believed an agreement with Russia was necessary unless very serious complications had to be encountered. There were, he continued, no insurmountable obstacles to an agreement; on the contrary, it was quite possible to conciliate the reasonable ambition of Russia with the fixed policy of Great Britain to maintain equal opportunities of trade for all nations.

"I am more sanguine of arriving at a settlement," said Mr. Chamberlain, "because it is not for our interest alone. The objects we have in view are shared also by the United States, Germany and Japan, all of which have identical interests. I dare say you have observed the very pregnant passage in the recent message of President McKinley to the United States congress, the passage referring to the very important interests of America in the Far East, in which he declares that these interests shall not be prejudiced by exclusive treatment. That is a very noteworthy passage, and, without being a prophet, I think I shall not be too sanguine if I say that in the future we shall not stand alone as guardians of the open door."

Mr. Chamberlain then referred to the charge of inconsistency brought against him in boasting of Great Britain's "splendid isolation," and then touting for alliances. He said: "When I referred to isolation I meant the isolation of the British Empire, comprising the United Kingdom, and our children over the seas, who are well able to defend their own possessions and their own exclusive interests against all attacks; but surely it is not unreasonable to seek an alliance and to expect co-operation where the interests involved are those of others as well as ourselves.

"In the case of Germany, we have ascertained by a friendly and frank interchange of opinion that there are many interests regarding which we cannot assist one another. I think I may hope that in the future the two nations, the greatest naval and the greatest military power, will come more frequently together and that our joint influence will be used on behalf of peace and of unrestricted trade.

"But if I congratulate you on the development of good feeling between us and a great Continental state, still more do I rejoice at the growth of friendly relations between ourselves and our colonies, between ourselves and the United States. Already the United States, if regarded from the standpoint of potential resources, is the greatest of civilized states, with its immense population of intelligent citizens, chiefly Anglo-Saxons; and if we are assured of the Anglo-Saxon race, whether it abides under the Stars and Stripes or the Union Jack, there is no other combination that can make us afraid."

Replying later to a vote of thanks for his address, Mr. Chamberlain said he hoped ere many years had passed to see a federation of the Empire, with colonial representatives in the Imperial parliament. Referring to a personal allusion to his "setting a good example" in forwarding the hoped-for alliance with the United States by marrying an American, he said: "So many Englishmen are following the example that I think it quite possible that the alliance may be accomplished without the interference of governments." (Laughter).

TORTURE ON WHEELS.

Six-Day Event in New York Keenly Contested by Four Leaders.

New York, Dec. 8.—"Teddy" Hale, the veteran rider, left the track about 1 o'clock. It was said by "Tony" Johnson, his trainer, shortly afterwards, that Hale was disheartened and was reluctant about going on the track again. Hale had then 1,157 miles to his credit. "Teddy" Edwards later had a talk with Hale, and finally induced him to make another effort. Plasters were put on the Irishman's hands, and he mounted, riding after the others at a good pace. He seemed strong enough to ride a good many miles yet.

The four leaders in the six days' event struggled continuously for first position. With the exception of Forster and Waller, the riders are husbanding their strength, and make few lengthy spurts. Pierce rides a steady pace, seldom increasing speed when pushed by his opponents. Waller had several brushes with Miller, who was trying to get back to the lead during the afternoon, and the garden rang with cheers, Waller, however, managed to hold his man and kept the lead. Pierce held his steady clip that appeared to be about between 16 and 18 miles an hour.

THE GUESTS OF DINGLEY.

Canadian Commissioners Hear Another Private Talk Against Concessions to Their Country.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Representative Dingley entertained the British-Canadian members of the Anglo-American commissioners at the house of representatives to-day, accompanying them to the diplomatic gallery and explaining the procedure on the floor, and later becoming their host at luncheon in the house restaurant, where the party was joined by Speaker Reed and other prominent officials. At the conclusion of the luncheon ladies retired and Speaker Reed and Mr. Dingley had an intimate business talk with the foreign commissioners, during which, it is understood the speaker reinforced the statements already presented by Mr. Dingley as to difficulties in the way of that large degree of reciprocity which the Canadians desire to incorporate in a treaty.

Pain from indigestion, dyspepsia and too much hearty eating is relieved at once by taking one of Carter's Little Liver Pills immediately after dinner. Don't forget this. *

VANCOUVER AFFAIRS.

Tramps Attempt Robbery at Col. Worsnop's House—The Quesnelle Tragedy.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, Dec. 8.—A tramp attempted to force an entrance into Col. Worsnop's residence yesterday evening in the absence of the male members of the family. Mrs. Worsnop ran upstairs secured her husband's revolver and backed the tramp off the premises. The police were telephoned for but arrived too late.

Robert Smith, of Quesnelle, who arrived in the city to-day, says the murder of two Chinamen and hanging of a third occurred over a dispute in a fan tan game.

Terwange and his assistants who were to have looked for Andree and who have been out of sight for some time, have turned up near Atlin. A private letter states that the scientists have made rich strikes.

PICQUART AT EASE.

His Close Confinement Has Not Preyed Upon His Health.

London, Dec. 8.—The Paris correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says: "I had an interview to-day with Col. Picquart in the Cherche Midi prison, with a grate between us and in the presence of an official. He appeared cheerful and told me he was well physically, mentally and morally."

TO RAISE DEWEY'S WRECKS.

New York, Dec. 7.—Assistant Naval Constructor Hobson will go to Manila to superintend the raising of the Spanish war vessels. He expects to leave about the 20th of this month. Hobson has not yet given up hopes of successfully raising the Colon, but is doubtful whether or not the navy department can be induced to go to further expense in this work.

DANGER IN A DOUBLE.

Man Shot in St. Louis to Be Palmed Off for Another Who Looked Like Him.

St. Louis, Dec. 7.—The Post-Dispatch today throws light on a mysterious shooting that occurred in St. Louis on June 14, 1897, and resulted in the death of Elliott L. Duckworth at Kansas City some time after that.

According to the story, Duckworth came to St. Louis to meet Edward L. Dolling, an Indiana bank cashier, who in a letter had offered the former a remunerative position. Before meeting Dolling, Duckworth started out to Forest park, where he was found the same day with a bullet in his head, a revolver lying beside him. It was apparently a case of suicide. In the wounded man's pocket was a card bearing these words: "I am Edward L. Dolling, of Terra Haute, Ind.. In case of accident."

Dolling, it appears, was at that time wanted for embezzling $36,000 in a small town near Terra Haute. He disappeared about the time he wrote the letter to Duckworth making the St. Louis appointment with the latter. Dolling and Duckworth, who were not acquainted personally, resembled each other to a remarkable degree. The story goes on to say that Duckworth was decoyed to this city by Dolling and fatally shot, a card with Dolling's name on it was put in his pocket, and the wounded man passed off on the police and the public as the missing embezzler. Duckworth, however, was taken home by his sister, Mrs. Hutchison, of Hutchinson, Kas., she having learned his identity.

The wounded man denied that he had attempted to commit suicide, and he said he remembered nothing of the shooting. Dolling, it is said, is still at large, and the police are searching for him on the charges of embezzlment.

PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE.

Native Press Says McKinley Is Pledged to It—Cleveland and Sherman Go On Record.

Manila, Dec. 7.—The native press continues to advocate independence and reimbursement to the United States of the amount to be paid Spain for the Philippines. The Independencia thinks this course the only just one. It insists that the Filipinos have aided the Americans solely because they believed they were fighting for independence. The paper quotes liberally from President McKinley's last speech in Chicago to support its contention that the Americans are pledged to give the Philippines independence.

Princeton, N. J., Dec. 7.—Former President Grover Cleveland was interviewed today on the new policy of the United States and dictated the following for the Associated Press:

"Without going at all into details, I wish to say that I am ardently opposed to every feature of an annexation and expansion policy. The public ought to know pretty well what my convictions are from the Hawaiian question during my administration. I have not changed my mind, and remain opposed to all this annexation, from Hawaii to the Philippines."

Boston, Dec. 7.—At a meeting of the anti-Imperialists league executive committee today a letter was read from Hon. John Sherman, making interesting statements regarding the acquisition of the Philippines and closing as follows: "My hope is that the senate of the United States will reject the treaty and leave the people of the islands free from the shackles of Spain and the domination of the United States."

"I sympathize with Aguinaldo in his ambition to found a republic in the China Sea near the equator, and hope he may become the Washington of a new nation absolutely free from European and American influence."

Bishop Potter, of New York, and James C. Carter, of New York, were added to the list of vice-presidents of the league.

OFFICERS' TREACHERY.

The Dreyfus Secret Dossier Shows That They Certainly Sold Information.

Paris, Dec. 7.—The anti-Dreyfus papers are very angry over the decision of the court of cassation, which they describe as another insult to the army. There were some slight disturbances by students at the close of the Sorbonne lecture this evening. The opposing sections got to fighting, one student wounding another, and the police were finally called in to disperse them.

London, Dec. 9.—The Paris correspondent of the Times says: "The secret dossier certainly proves a treasonable traffic in documents on the part of officers of the general staff having access thereto, but no names are indicated, and there is absolutely nothing to prove or disprove that Dreyfus was connected with the traffic. No doubt the dossier cannot be revealed to the public, because it contains reports emanating from certain agents at certain places which it would be dangerous to divulge."

A WRECK ON FIRE.

Salvors' Work Interrupted by the Ignition of Cases of Matches.

St. John's, Nfld., Dec. 8.—While the salvors were working to-day on the wrecked steamer Scottish King a fire broke out in the afterhold, caused by the igniting of several cases of matches and of some goods that were packed with straw. The fire lasted over an hour and was only extinguished after considerable trouble by buckets of water hoisted over

GERMAN MILITARY OBSERVER.

Praise for American Regular Soldiers but Not for the Volunteers.

Berlin, Dec. 8.—Count Von Goetzen, former military attache at the German embassy at Wishington, who was commissioned by Emperor William to accompany the United States army during the Hispano-American war, for purposes of observation and official report, addressed a large and distinguished audience this evening at the Kaiserhof on "The newest colonial power." Although most of his hearers were members of the colonial society, there were some 300 military men present. The lecture, which dealt largely with the war, was illustrated by photographs which Count Von Goetzen took personally, views of the embarkation at Tampa, the camps, the landing in Cuba, and of scenes in the fighting around Santiago.

The lecturer spoke sympathetically of the American army and navy, except as so far as the volunteers were concerned. He said the only good volunteers were the "Rough Riders." He severely condemned the insurgents, who he said rendered little or no help to the Americans. He did not see a single white among the insurgents except among the officers.

Count Von Goetzen said the dynamite guns proved ineffective because they lacked distance apparatus. He praised General Shafter's treatment of the foreign officers who accompanied his staff. The United States regulars were characterized by the lecturer as a most excellent body of troops, though small, and their uniforms as "practical."

A portion of the lecture was devoted to a description of the difficulty with which the American and Spanish troops were provisioned. Count Goetzen prophesied a greater future for the new American colonies, because he said, the Americans are "prime colonists." The lecture was frequently applauded.

THE PEACE TREATY.

It Represents the Work of a Longer Time Than Occupied by the War Itself.

Paris, Dec. 8.—The United States and Spanish peace commissioners finally settled the terms of the treaty of peace today. They will meet once more in formal session on Saturday or Monday next when the Spanish and American commissioners will write their signatures upon the document, which embodies the work of 11 weeks—a longer time than the war itself. In the meantime the treaty will be engrossed, under the supervision of the secretaries of the respective commissions.

London, Dec. 9.—The Madrid correspondent of the Standard says: "The strongest comments are made upon the little disposition the United States has shown to respond to the Spanish demand for a prompt release of the 11,000 Spanish prisoners in the hands of their allies, and a restitution of private and official deposits now lying in the colonial official and judicial deposit banks. Everything seems to show that the last stage in the negotiations has taken a turn hardly calculated to pacify Spanish public opinion, or to facilitate for a long time to come the renewal of friendly relations between the two governments.

"Most of the newspapers favor the idea of selling the Carolines and the other possessions of Spain in the Pacific to Germany or other European nations willing to pay a better price than the United States."

TO SEA IN IRONS.

British Ship Starts Long Voyage Under Unpromising Conditions.

Philadelphia, Dec. 8.—With a majority of his crew in irons, having mutined, the British ship Jane Burrill, Capt. Robertson, hence for Santos, passed seaward to-day. While outward bound the Burrill anchored at Brandy Bay shoals and while there began to leak slightly. All hands were set to pump her out and decided to protest against going in the ship, saying she was unseaworthy. After a most thorough survey the ship was pronounced seaworthy but the crew still protested. Capt. Robertson sent to Philadelphia for a sufficient number of men to work the ship clear of the capes and went out to-day. The crew to a man were in mutiny and will be kept locked up until they agree to work.

SUES FOR HALF MILLION.

New York Widow Alleges Illegal Transfer of Valuable Stock Claimed by Her.

Boston, Dec. 8.—Mrs. Eliza A. Wall, of New York, has brought suit against a number of defendants to recover the sum of $400,000 for 4,000 shares of stock valued at $100 a share which she alleges have been wrongfully taken from the possession of a firm in which she is interested. The case came up to-day before the full bench of the Supreme court in this city. The old Colony Trust Co. of Boston, the Boston Cordage Co., Chas. H. Parsons of Brooklyn, Chas. Davis of New York, and Edward M. Felton of Montreal, are the defendants named.

Mrs. Wall is the widow of Charles Wall, who until his death was the senior member of the firm of Wm. Wall & Sons of New York. Mrs. Wall brings suit as the liquidating partner of the firm, alleging that the 4,000 shares of preferred stock of the National Cordage Co., which are those involved in the suit, were transferred without her knowledge or consent. The defendants named each had a part, it is claimed, in the transaction.

WILHELMINA'S BETROTHAL.

London, Dec. 8.—Truth announces that the Queen Mother of the Netherlands has written privately to Queen Victoria, informing Her Majesty of the betrothal of Queen Wilhelmina to Prince William of Wied.

FRANCE AT EASE.

Cherbourg, Dec. 8.—M. Lockroy, minister of marine, has sanctioned the resumption of the customary furloughs to sailors which were suspended during the crisis in the Anglo-French relations.

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ARTILLERY OFFICER TO HANG.

Sentenced for Complicity in Procuring the Death of a Girl.

London, Dec. 8.—Considerable public feeling has been aroused to-day over the case of Lieut. Wark, of the Royal Artillery, who was sentenced to death on the charge of murdering Jane Yates, a girl of good family, by conspiring with her to procure an abortion. She made a statement before she died exonerating Wark, who declares that he did all he could to dissuade her. There was a dramatic scene at the close of the trial, when he protested his innocence. The newspapers insist that, even if the verdict be legal, it is impossible that the sentence should be carried out.

MANITOBA AND NORTHWEST.

A Black Murderer's Eccentricities—Fire at Virden—New Zealand Bishop.

Winnipeg, Dec. 8.—(Special)—Adams Bros.' harness shop and shoe store at Virden, Man., was burned down at an early hour this morning. The building and contents were insured, but the amount is not known. Fortunately no one lived above the shop. The Union Bank had a narrow escape.

Paul Brown has written a second letter to the minister of justice at Ottawa, in which he retracts all he said in his first letter, asking for a pardon, and adds: "Both my lawyers are humbugs and no good, and I want them sacked." He says he wants to be hanged, and that one nigger less in the world would be a good thing.

Capt. Carruthers accepted nomination for the mayoralty to-night. He will be opposed by Mr. Andrews, the present mayor.

Bishop Grimes, one of the four bishops in charge of dioceses in the colony of New Zealand, left for the West this evening on his return home, after a seven months' visit to England. The Bishop remained over a day in this city, the guest of the Archbishop of Rupert's Land.

MARRIED.

MCNEILL-MUNSIE—At the residence of the bride's father, 226 Johnson street, by the Rev. Dr. Campbell, William McNeill to Minne Jean, third daughter of Wm. Munsie, Esq.

DIED.

RIDLEY—At his residence, Herald street, on the 7th inst., Robert Ridley, a native of Bristol, Eng., aged 80 years.

Funeral will take place to-day (Friday) at 10 o'clock a.m. from the Pioneer hall, Broad street, and at 10:30 a.m. from Christ Church cathedral.

MEDANA—At the family residence, Simcoe street, James Bay, on the 7th instant, Catherine Medana, aged 64 years, relict of the late Paul Medana, and a native of Ambri canton, Ticino, Switzerland.

The funeral will take place on Saturday at 9:30 from the above residence, and later from the Roman Catholic church.

Friends will please accept this intimation.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

INSTITUTE HALL
Tuesday, Dec. 13, at 8:30 p.m
Under the patronage and in the presence of His Honor the Lieut.-Governor and Mrs. McInnes,
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Sale opens Monday at 9 a.m. at Victoria Book & Stationery Co.

MISCELLANEOUS.

MRS. C. KOSCHE has returned from San Francisco, where she has taken a full course of lessons in FACE STEAMING AND MASSAGE, and will be pleased to receive lady customers; hair dressing; latest styles. 42 Government street, Victoria, B. C. n26

MUSICAL.

PIANO TUNING, ETC.—Jesse A. Longfield (from Hopkinson's, England), tunes and repairs pianos, harmoniums, American organs, pipe organs., etc., on reasonable terms; prompt attention given to all orders. 166 Pandora avenue, Victoria, B. C. n18

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FOR SALE—Good milch cow (Durham); price $55; also nice family cow, three parts Jersey; $40. Apply Mr. Smith, Everett's Exchange, Esquimalt road. d9

HEALTH FOOD has removed to 89 Government street, opposite the old post office. Headquarters for all the health foods. d7

FOR SALE—A thoroughbred English setter one and a half years; price, $5.00. Apply 12 North road, Spring Ridge. d7

FOR SALE—Horse, light express and cart, in good condition. Can be seen at 34 Pioneer street. d6

FOR SALE—Black loam, in any quantity, at brick yard, Saanich road, 25 cents per load. Elford & Smith. d4

FOR SALE—A good paying and old established business; full particulars. Apply A. Williams & Co., 104 Yates st. d1

FOR SALE OR TO LEASE—A farm of 160 acres, on the Mainland, with a comfortable hard-finished six-roomed cottage; all kinds of fruit; convenient to boats, railways, schools and churches. For particulars address B. W. Colonist office. n18

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WANTED—One or two young gentlemen for room and board, in private family; all the comforts of a home; in most pleasant and convenient locality. Address L., Colonist office. d9

WANTED by young woman, work of any kind. Address B., Colonist office. d7

WANTED—A situation as housekeeper; no objection to town or country. Address H., Colonist office. d7

WANTED—Second-hand two wheedel rig and medium sized pony. Apply B. C. D., Colonist office. d7

WANTED—A farm to take charge of for a term of years; provide all labor if necessary; have filled similar situation for the last four years; highest references. Address "Farmer," Colonist. ad

WANTED—Situation in city or country; any place; and worked; has experience on that lines. Japanese Baptist Mission, 138 Johnson street, Victoria, B. C. d6

WANTED—First classs dry goods man for country store. Apply Simon Leiser & Co., Yates st. d4

WANTED—A competent person to assist with children. Apply Mrs. Hamburger, 93 Pandora st. d4

A YOUTH, 16, desires situation; good knowledge of bookkeeping and typewriting; would make himself generally useful; good references. Address T. G., Colonist office. n30

WANTED—By experienced young man, position as shipping clerk, or tallyman preferred; wages low at start. Address P.O. Box 313, Victoria. n23

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LOST OR FOUND.

LOST—Wednesday night, 7th, one glove. Please return to Elevator, Five Sisters block, where its mate will be found. d9

REWARD—Strayed from "The Gables," Gorge road, on the 2nd inst., a tawny sable and white dog pup, four months old; large for his age. Any person leaving him at Drake, Jackson & Helmcken's office, Bastion street, will be suitably rewarded. H. B. W. Aikman. d9

LOST—On Tuesday, between Toronto and View streets, a garnet velvet hat in square hand-box, addressed to Mrs. Douglas, Toronto street. The finder will be rewarded by leaving it at the Colonist office. d9

FOUND—On Belcher street, opposite "Gisburn," Klondike single nugget brooch. Owner can have same on application to Colonist office. d9

TO LET OR LEASE.

TO LET—Three cottages on Centre road, Spring Ridge, at $3 per month; also house with 3 acres of land at Oaklands. Apply 5 Centre road, Spring Ridge. d7

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TO LET—Cheap; hall 25x35, electric light, floor in excellent condition, suitable for dancing club, within ten minutes of post office. Address F. B., Colonist office. d2

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BELGIUM TALKS BUSINESS.

Will Not Make Any Concessions to United States Without Something in Return.

London, Dec. 8.—According to a special despatch from Paris, a telegram has been received there from Brussels declaring that Belgium cannot oblige the United States in the matter of admitting American preserved meats until the American government shows a willingness to reciprocate by relaxing the heavy duties it imposes upon Belgian cloth and other wares.

SIR HENRY IRVING.

London, Dec. 8.—Sir Henry Irving arrived in the city last evening from Glasgow. He shows the effects of his illness, but assured his friends that he was steadily gaining.

OLD ENGLAND'S FLAG VS. DR. W. A. CHASE.

The virtues of Dr. Chase's remedies are known the world over and like old England's flag the sun on them never sets.

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CHESS TOURNEY.

New York, Dec. 7.—The eighth game of the chess tourney between Janowski and Showalter was drawn this afternoon, after 71 moves. The score now stands, Janowski 3, Showalter 2, drawn 3. The ninth game will be played tomorrow.

NICARAGUA CANAL.

In Due Time the Co-operation of British Government Will Be Invited.

London, Dec. 8.—The Washington correspondent of the Daily Chronicle says: "I have ascertained from the highest source that President McKinley has not thought of ignoring or violating British rights under the Clayton-Bulwer treaty. On the contrary, when the proper time arrives, England will be invited to cooperate regarding the Nicaragua canal."

The Washington correspondent of the Times makes a similar statement.

GERMANY AND THE CAROLINES.

No Offer to Be Made Until the United States Has Finished Bargaining.

London, Dec. 8.—The Berlin correspondent of the Times, who denies that Germany is negotiating for the acquisition of the Carolines, says:

"A certain sentimental desire exists in the public mind on the subject but the government has not yet ascertained the views of the United States regarding it and will do nothing until it knows the form of peace treaty between the United States and Spain.

A COOK THROWN OVERBOARD.

Story of a Celestial Who Vanished From a Bark From These Waters.

Port Townsend, Dec. 6.—According to private information received to-day, a well-known ship-master who visited this port recently had a narrow escape from conviction under the charge of murder, and is not yet free from suspicion.

Among the crew shipped from Port Townsend on the last trip of the British bark Mary A. Troop was a Chinese cook. When the vessel arrived at Buenos Ayres, Capt. Baker and Steward Bassingham were arrested, accused of having pitched the Celestial overboard. The trial took place before the consular court, composed of the British consul, the commander of the British gunboat Swallow and two merchant marine masters.

The court absolved the master and steward from the charge of murder, but ordered both home for examination before the board of trade for excessively cruel treatment of the unfortunate Chinaman.

The letter came as a surprise here, where it was not even known that the vessel had reached Buenos Ayres.

PUGILISTS MAKE DATES.

Sharkey and McCoy Next Month, and Corbett and Jeffries in February.

New York, Dec. 8.—Articles of agreement for a twenty-round boxing contest between Tom Sharkey and Kid McCoy, to take place at the Lenox Athletic Club in this city on January 10, were signed to-day by both principals. The men are to box for a purse of $20,000 and 50 per cent. of all receipts exceeding $40,000. Tim Hurst was agreed upon as referee.

In order that the fight could not result in a fiasco like the Sharkey-Corbett affair, the interference of any of the fighters' seconds or their invasion of the ring will not stop the contest. The articles of agreement are very clear on this score, and any second or outsider who tries to invade the ring during the contest will be immediately placed under arrest and expelled from the club house.

The men will meet under Queensberry rules, with the exception that they will not be permitted to hit in clinches and break-aways.

A few minutes after the fighters had signed the articles of agreement, Sharkey and O'Rourke went up town to meet Corbett by appointment. As soon as Corbett heard that the fight had been arranged between McCoy and Sharkey, he said: "I wish you luck, Sharkey. I have no hard feelings, but I want to meet you again, just to prove to the public who is the better man. I don't wish to play second fiddle to anybody, so I will go to the Pacific coast and try my luck with Jeffries. I hope you will beat McCoy."

Corbett then sent a despatch to his brother in California: "Sharkey and McCoy matched here. I will take on Jeffries. Match me to meet him in February." O'Rourke and Corbett had a long talk as to the promised meeting of Sharkey and the big Californian, and O'Rourke said that as Sharkey was going to the Pacific coast early in the coming year, a bout between them had better take place on the Coast rather than in the East.

Syracuse, N.Y., Dec. 8.—Tommy Ryan said this evening that he wishes to have it stated that he would post to-morrow with the sporting editor of an evening paper a certified check for $2,500 to meet Fitzsimmons within three months at the Monarch Athletic Club for sixty per cent. of the gross receipts.

BURIED IN COAL.

West Superior, Wis., Dec. 7.—Four men were buried by a cave-in of the coal docks to-day, and though efforts are being made to rescue them, they will undoubtedly be lost.

LIBELLED THE GOULDS.

Mrs. Cody's Trial for Alleged Blackmail Ends in Disagreement of Jury.

Albany, N.Y., Dec. 8.—The jury in the Cody blackmailing case, after being out 24 hours, failed to reach an agreement, and has been discharged. The jury stood 9 to 3 for conviction.

The accused, Mrs. Margaret E. Cody, is a gray-haired woman between 65 and 70 years of age. She was indicted some months ago for blackmail in connection with her unsuccessful attempt to prove that the late Jay Gould married Sarah Ann Angel in 1853, at Rouse's Point, and that a child was the result of the alleged union. The indictment for blackmail was based on two letters written to George Jay Gould and Helen Gould by Mrs. Cody, in which the Goulds contended that Mrs. Cody offered to settle for a consideration. These letters were written by Mrs. Cody after Mrs. Angel had confessed that the attempt to prove she had been married to Jay Gould was a conspiracy concocted to secure some of the Gould millions.

Miss Helen Gould has been most persistent in trying to bring Mrs. Cody to punishment for her part in the scheme to besmirch the family name of her father.

BOODLING OF THE WAR.

Movement in Senate for Commission of Inquiry into Corrupt Transactions.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Senator Vest today introduced in the senate a resolution providing for the appointment of a joint commission to investigate the charges of corruption in the conduct of the war with Spain. The preamble to the resolution recites that "charges have been made in the public press over the signatures of responsible parties that improper and corrupt means have been used to secure contracts from the government for the purchase of vessels for the navy and for the furnishing of clothing and other necessary articles for the army of the United States during the war with Spain at excessive and exorbitant rates."

The resolution calls for the appointment of three senators and five members of the house and imposes upon them the duty of inquiring as to the truth of all such charges and of making reports by bill or otherwise.

PRESIDENT'S COMMISSIONS.

Bill to Prohibit Their Acceptance by Members of Congress or Judges.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Senator Vest today followed up the debate commenced in executive session yesterday concerning the appointment of senators and members of the house to positions on presidential commissions, by the introduction of a bill prohibiting the practice of making such appointments. The bill is as follows:

"That no person while holding a judicial or legislative office under the United States, shall be appointed by the President as commissioner or agent of the government, nor of any department nor bureau thereof."

AN OFFENSIVE PRAYER.

Spain Resents American Intercession With Heaven on Her Behalf.

London, Dec. 9.—The Madrid correspondent of the Daily News says: The prayer of the chaplain of the United States senate invoking the blessing of heaven upon Spain is much resented in high circles.

FLOUR MILL COMBINE.

British Stockholders Agree to Union of Interests of American Concerns.

New York, Dec. 8.—The Herald will to-morrow say: "Thos. Macintyre, who visited Europe for the purpose of obtaining the consent of the British stockholders in American flour mills to the formation of a combination of the principal mills in this country, said when he landed that his mission had been successful, but declines to give details.

CONTROL OF WHEEL RACING.

National Association to Supervise Track Events of Whole Continent.

New York, Dec. 8.—The National racing association, to control bicycle racing, professional and amateur, in all the states east of the Mississippi river, except Louisiana, was formed at a meeting of track owners and managers at the Fifth Avenue hotel to-day. An alliance will be made with the Western cycling association, the California association of cycling clubs and the Southern cycling association.

LIBERALS HOLD THEIR OWN.

West Huron Re-elects the New Minister and Halton Mr. Barber.

Toronto, Dec. 8.—(Special)— Returns from the Halton and West Huron bye-elections to-day, for the Ontario legislature, show the election of both Liberal candidates, Mr. Barber, in Halton, by 198, and Mr. Garrow in Huron by 112. Both seats were formerly Liberal.

Humor is gravity concealed behind the jest.—Weiss.

STOCKS, METALS AND PRODUCE.

Stagnant Market in London and New York Quiet in Sympathy.

New York, Dec. 8.—The Evening Post's financial cable from London says: "The stock markets here were stagnant to-day, with an irregular tone. The forthcoming holidays are beginning to have an effect. Americans were good, Norfolk & Western being again a feature. The buying was led by New York to-day, bond issues being steadily bought by that market. Mexican Central was also a feature here to-day. Grand Trunk was flat, being sold from Glasgow, where a whiskey failure had a bad effect. Spanish fours were firm. The London market discount rate is 3¼ per cent., and weak, although the Bank of England's weekly returns was considerably more favorable than had been expected."

New York, Dec. 8.—Quotations on the stock market rose the first part of the day, but in the late dealings lost the early advance, closing easy, with slight gains in most stocks. The initial tendency was hesitating and timid, perhaps sympathetically with the irregular tone of the London market, which was a moderate seller of Norfolk & Western, Union Pacific and Louisville & Nashville. The grangers shook off their recent lethargy and gave confidence to the rest of the list.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

Amn. Cotton Oil	34⅛	34¼
Amn. Tob	139⅛	139⅛
Amn. Sugar	126⅝	129¾
Amn. Sugar pfd	113¾	..
Amn. Spirits	12¼	12¼
Atchison, all paid	16⅝	16¼
Atchison pfd	46⅜	45⅝
Baltimore & Ohio	58	59¼
Canada Southern	..	54½
Ches. & Ohio	25½	25
Chicago, B. & Q	119	119¾
Chicago & N. W	..	130
Chicago Gas	109⅝	109¾
C. R. I. & Pac	107¾	108¼
C. M. & St. P	114	114¼
Cons. Gas, N. Y	192½	192
C. C. C. & t. L	43	43⅜
Del. & Hudson	104¼	105½
Del., Lac. & West	..	147
Denver & Rio G. pfd	62	62¼
Gen. Elec	85¼	85¾
Hocking Valley	3	2⅝
Jersey Central	..	94¼
Laclede Gas com	53¼	..
Louisville & Nashville	63⅝	63½
Man. Elev	98¼	98
Mo. Pac	37⅜	37¾
National Lead	36	..
North American	..	7
Nor. Pac. com. new	..	40⅝
Nor. Pac. pfd	75⅞	75½
N. Y. C. & H	118½	118⅝
N. Y. L. E. & W	..	13½
N. Y. L. E. & W. 1st pfd	36⅜	36
N. Y. Ont. & W	16¼	16
Pac. Mail	43⅛	43¾
Pullman	..	140
Reading	..	18¾
Southern Railway com	10⅜	10¼
Southern Railway pfd	42	41⅝
Tenn. Coal & Iron	31⅝	31¼
Texas & Pacific	15¼	15⅝
U S. Leather pfd	67¼	68
U. S. Rubber com	44½	45¾
U. S. Rubber pfd	108¼	109¼
Union Pacific receipts	38½	37⅞
Union Pacific pfd	70	69⅞
Wabash	..	7⅞
Wabash pfd	21⅜	22⅝
Western Union	94⅛	94⅜
Met. St. Ry	187¾	190
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	69⅞	72⅛
C. P. R. in London	87¼	86⅝
Com. Cable in Montreal	186½	186

New Work, Dec. 8.—Money on call, steady at 2 to 2½ per cent last loan, 2½ per cen. Prime mercantile paper, 3¼ to 4 per cent. Sterling exchange, firmer at $4.84¼ to ¾ for demand and at $4.81¾ to $4.82 for sixty days. Posted rates, $4.82 to ½ and $4.85½ to $4.86. Commercial bills, $4.80½.

New York, Dec. 8.—Silver certificates. 59¼ to 60¼c.; bar silver, 59 9-16c.; Mexican dollars, 46¼c.

Copper, quiet; brokers, $12.75; exchange, $12.65 to $12.85.

Lead, very dull; brokers, $3.45; exchange, $3.60 to $3.62½.

Tin, quiet; straits, $18.00 to $18.50; plates, steady.

Spelter, quiet; domestic, $5.25 to $5.35.

Rosin, quiet. Turpentine, steady.

Pig iron, quiet; Northern, $10.25 to $11.25; Northern, $10.25 to $11.75.

New York, Dec. 8.—Wheat closed: March, 72½c.; May, 69⅝c.; Dec., 70¾c.

Chicago, Dec. 8.—Wheat closed: Dec., 63 to 63⅛c.; May, 64⅞c.; July, 63⅜ to ½c.

Corn—Dec., 33 to ⅛c.; May, 33¾c.; July, 34⅛c.

Oats—Dec., 25⅝c.; May, 25⅞c.

Pork—Jan., $9.17½; May, $9.40.

Lard—Jan., $5.07½; May, $5.22½.

Ribs—Jan., $4.57½; May, $4.72½.

CANADA CLUB DINNER.

Quebec's Ambition Pressed Upon the Grand Trunk's President.

Montreal, Dec. 9.—A Star cable from London says: "At the Canada Club dinner last night, Sir Charles Rivers-Wilson, president of the Grand Trunk railway, made an earnest appeal to the Dominion government to seriously grapple with what he regarded as a most vital problem—immigration. Canada, he said, could not rest content while three and a half million square miles were occupied by less than six million people.

"Hon. Mr. Dobell retaliated, imploring Sir Charles Rivers-Wilson's help to bridge the St. Lawrence at Quebec and make the Ancient Capital what it must ultimately become—the great transhipping port of North America. He also urged a railway and steamship route via the Hudson.

"'What is its population?' interjected Sir Charles Rivers-Wilson, humorously. 'A little off our line, I am afraid.'

"A notable passage followed between Mr. Dobell and Sir Adolphe Caron. Mr. Dobell claimed that Canadians are all one party now, that party being his party. Sir Adolphe Caron, amid much amusement, said he professed ignorance as to what was his honorable friend's party. Canadians were one party, certainly, for the simple reason that the Liberals had made the Conservative policy their own."

A remarkable present given to the Kaiser by the Sultan was a golden walking stick, which was an exact copy of the stick used by Frederick the Great. Emperor William left Constantinople literally loaded with the Sultan's presents to himself and the Empress, which were magnificent both in number and in value.

POISONED CANDY CASE.

Dunning Murder Trial Opened in San Francisco and Adjourned.

San Francisco, Dec. 8.—The jury which is trying Mrs. Cordelia Botkin for the murder of Mrs. John R. Dunning was completed this morning. The case opened by the reading of the indictment charging Mrs. Botkin with the murder of Mrs. John P. Dunning by means of a box of poisoned candy mailed from this city to Mrs. Dunning, then residing in Dover, Del. The acting district attorney delivered the opening address for the prosecution. He reviewed the crime and said that he expected to convict the defendant on the evidence collected by the detectives. At the conclusion of his address, Attorney Knight, for the defence, asked for a continuance until Monday, which was granted by Judge Cook.

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THE ALBERNI ELECTION.

As matters were presented to the voters of Alberni last summer, they can hardly be said to have pronounced upon the broad political issues of the day. The contest there was largely a personal one, in which the government candidate, Mr. Huff, was handicapped by his late entrance into the field, and also by the petty hostilities which are sure to make themselves apparent in every constituency against any one who has represented it for any length of time. No representative, if he tries to do his duty at all, can avoid creating some animosities against him. It is so everywhere, and will continue to be so to the end of the chapter, as long as representatives are brought into contact with their constituents in connection with the details of public expenditures. We do not think it can be fairly claimed that Alberni's verdict last summer was due to any desire to place Mr. Semlin in office.

Why should Alberni give its support to a party led by Mr. Semlin and dominated by Mr. Martin?

An important matter to keep in mind in this connection is that Mr. Martin is the controlling spirit in the present government. Mr. Martin's candidature was first championed by the Vancouver Province. It is understood that the Province claims him to be its candidate and puts forward a demand for especial recognition on the score that, if it had not been for its efforts, Mr. Martin would not have thought of entering the field. This being so, it is important to bear in mind that at the very time the Province was urging Mr. Martin to take the field, it was busy in an endeavor to stir up sectional strife between the Mainland and the Island. It printed several heated articles upon the subject, urging the necessity of curtailing the influence of the Island in the councils of British Columbia, even suggesting that separation might be resorted to if other plans failed.

When the new government was formed the first step was taken to-wards curtailing the influence of the Island. It was to so distribute the portfolios that for the first time in the history of British Columbia Vancouver Island was without a representative in office. Dr. McKechnie was made president of the council, but this is purely an honorary place.

The next step towards curtailing the influence of the Island was a declaration, made in the government press, that the house would meet, and, if the government is sustained, there would be a redistribution bill cutting down the representation of the Island, after which there would be a new election.

We do not think that any constituency on Vancouver Island will be a party to its own extinction. The people of the Island are reasonable men. They expect that as the province is opened up, their relative influence in affairs will be reduced. British Columbia is a vast region and can and will before long support a large population. The people of the Island always have been content to have newly opened sections recognized by being given representatives in the legislature. The history of redistribution shows this. Only last session every representative from the Island voted for an increase of six in the representation of the Mainland, although not an additional member was asked for the Island. Doubtless in the course of a few years it will be necessary to give the Mainland more representatives. We are all willing that this shall be done whenever justice demands. What we object to is the cutting down of the Island while additions are made to the Mainland. There may come a time when in order to keep the legislature from being too large, it will be desirable to scale down the whole membership of the house in which event the Island may have to be content to lose some of its representatives. But that time has not yet come. In the meanwhile it is only fair and right that the Island should be allowed to keep what it has.

It cannot be charged against the Island that it has been in any sense sectional. The statute books and the journals of the house show that the people of Vancouver Island through their representatives have always been ready to advance projects for the development of all parts of the province. Whether the outlay was in Vancouver, Yale, Kootenay, Cariboo, Cassiar, or elsewhere, the members of the legislature, elected by the Island constituencies, have always to a man stood ready to sanction what seemed best in the public interest. Has British Columbia been characterized by prosperity during the last decade? Have we new railways, new highways, new public buildings, new school houses, new roads, trails and bridges in all parts of the province? The records of the legislature show that the vote of the Vancouver Island contingent was always cast for progress and liberal dealing, no matter what section of the province was immediately to be benefited. It can never be justly charged against the people of Vancouver Island that they have been sectional, or that they have ever employed their influence in the legislature, which not long ago was the preponderating influence, to the disadvantage of the rest of the province. We claim, therefore, that it is highly unjust on the part of Mr. Semlin and his friends to threaten to cut down the influence of the Island. Yet this is the key-note of Mr. Joseph Martin's policy, and he rules the present government.

The general policy pursued by the present government during its short term of office cannot commend itself to any one who appreciates the requirements of British Columbia. The whole effort seems to be to centralize power in the hands of the ministers. They got into office through a violation of the constitution, and they have ever since endeavored to control the administration of affairs down to the minutest detail, to their own political and personal advantage. They refuse to allow any man to buy an acre of crown land unless he explains to their satisfaction what he wants to do with it. He must make his private affairs public property before he can get a piece of crown land under the provisions of the law. They refuse to allow a mill owner to get timber off crown land under any conditions even although their refusal drives business out of the province. They dismiss tried public servants to replace them with their own henchmen. They cut down every one else's salary except their own. They are a do-nothing government.

British Columbia requires a progressive non-sectional administration, and we have every confidence that the electors of Alberni will aid in establishing one by returning Mr. Ward to the legislature.

MEN WHO WANTED ANNEXATION.

Two very prominent United States Statesmen ardently desired the annexation of Canada to the United States. One of these was William H. Seward, secretary of state under Lincoln. He believed that annexation would prevent the secession of the South. It is known that upon accepting office, he urged Lincoln to take immediate steps for the acquisition of Canada. He believed the prospect of such vast territorial expansion would divert the popular mind from the issues between the two sections of the country, and that the preponderance of the new states to be created out of Canada, would hold the South in check and prevent the extension of the slave power. Lincoln declined to entertain the suggestion.

The other was James G. Blaine. Mr. Blaine said very little publicly on the subject. He was conspicuous as an advocate of a Pan-American union, which was not to embrace Canada. In fact, he was rather over careful to make it appear that he would prefer not to have Canada in his scheme. Nevertheless he is known to have been greatly desirous of seeing Canada united with the republic. About ten years ago intimations came in an indirect way from very influential circles at Washington to the effect that, if a number of Canadian journalists would agree to advocate annexation, it would be materially to their financial advantage. At that time a number of letters representing that the annexation sentiment was steadily growing in the Dominion were printed in prominent American papers, and a strong effort was made on the southern side of the boundary line to make it appear that the people of Canada were only waiting for a pressing invitation to throw in their lot with their neighbors. Blaine was defeated in his presidential aspirations, and later when he became secretary of state under Harrison, the latter, seeing that he was attracting much public attention by his spectacular Pan-American policy, laid his plans to thwart him with such success that Blaine broke down under the disappointment. It can hardly be doubted that, if Blaine had succeeded in getting into the presidential chair, he would have begun an active and determined effort to bring about annexation. He would have failed, but in his headstrong way, he might have precipitated difficulties which would have resulted in war.

These matters have only a historic interest now. They will never become a part of the written history of the United States, but they are worthy of passing notice as showing the plans entertained by two of the greatest minds that the United States has ever produced. Undoubtedly from the standpoint of American statesmanship, the acquisition of Canada would have been an achievement of surpassing importance.

The two propositions were very different in one respect. Seward proposed the conquest of Canada. Blaine proposed to resort to milder methods. It is needless to say that both plans would have failed had any attempt been made to carry them into execution, although in Seward's time the prominence of the Little Englanders gave some excuse for thinking that Great Britain would not go to the expense of a foreign war to retain her possessions in North America. Blaine was wiser. He realized that the only way of bringing about annexation was by the cultivation of Canadian sentiment in that direction.

SETTLERS FROM THE SOUTH.

The Toronto Globe says there is a very considerable and steady influx of people from the United States into Canada, and the reference is not to the mining class. The new-comers are what we call settlers. In this there is nothing at all surprising. The population of the United States is increasing rapidly, and the extravagance, which has marked the use of land, has been such that, although compared with Europe the country is yet sparsely settled in most places, the people feel crowded. Other conditions lead to emigration, such as heavy local taxation, inability to redeem mortgaged homes, dissatisfaction with surroundings, and that general restlessness which exhibits itself in people of our race under all circumstances. The feeling which led thousands of people in the years gone by to move westward now urges them to move northward. On their movement the international boundary line has no influence. They know that in Canada they will find a people speaking the same language as they do, and governed by the same laws, to all intents and purposes. There is no substantial difference between personal and property rights in the two countries. The movement is likely to grow in magnitude, although the recent acquisition by the United States of territory beyond the seas may have the effect of diminishing it somewhat.

A notable thing about these newcomers is that they are perfectly content with the political conditions in their new homes. They never advocate the annexation of Canada to the United States. They find their surroundings entirely to their liking. Life and property are as safe as they can be anywhere in the world. Impartial justice is administered by the courts. The burden of taxation is light. The currency question is free from the difficulties surrounding it in the United States. The settler has nothing to disturb him in relation to the government or political conditions of the country. American settlers are very welcome in Canada.

The World is quite in error. The Colonist has not the slightest wish to withdraw from the discussion of the question of redistribution. The question which the World started was the advisability of redistributing the representation of British Columbia in 1899. The Colonist took the position that parliament had no power to pass a redistribution law except on the completion of a decennial census. It gave its reasons for so thinking, and these have never been met by the World or any one else. Instead of meeting the Colonist on this issue, the advocates of change began to talk about what may be done in 1902. This the Colonist has declined to discuss, for the reason that the manner in which the distribution of population is constantly changing, no one can intelligently deal with a question that will not arise for nearly four years. We claim to have established that parliament has no authority to alter the representation of Victoria in 1899, and this was all we set out to do. This point the World and its co-workers against Victoria have utterly failed to meet.

The Inland Sentinel says the opposition press refer to Attorney-General Martin as the "most unutterably bad man that any country was ever inflicted with." The Sentinel can hardly understand the meaning of the language it employs. Mr. Martin has not been represented in the opposition press as a bad man. He has been shown up as a dangerous and mischief-making man in office, but to say that he is vilified, as the Sentinel does, is without warrant. Cannot the Sentinel distinguish between the discussion of a public man's public acts, and the discussion of the man himself?

The provincial librarian, Mr. Scholefield, seems to have taken offence at a remark in Mr. Clive Phillipps-Wolley's letter, printed in the Colonist. We are very sure that Mr. Wolley did not intend to put any personal affront upon Mr. Scholefield, whom every one will admit is a very courteous and capable officer. What Mr. Wolley had in mind apparently was the mistake of the government in removing from office a gentleman who had given special attention to colonization matters.

According to a so-called critic in the Times it is a terrible thing for a man to forget what particular Latin poet wrote a particular line. We disagree with him. It is not even a serious matter for a man to forget what English poet wrote a particular line. For example, we have forgotten for the moment who wrote: "A little learning is a disastrous thing," but it suites the case of the self-constituted Critic to a nicety.

The News-Advertiser heads an article "Another Turner Legacy." There is one Turner legacy to which our contemporary does not refer, and that is to the high credit of the province abroad, which the party of which the News-Advertiser is the organ is daily destroying by their picayunish policy.

In quoting the observations of the Nelson Tribune in regard to the proceedings taken against Messrs. Ellis and Lugrin, it is right to say that the court is in no way responsible for the initiation of the matter, so far as appears from the papers, and we believe it is not as a matter of fact responsible.

Mr. Mulock is said to be considering improvements in the postal service. While he is engaged in this work he might consider how to get a letter from Victoria to Rossland in less than a week.

The prosecution of the people who drove Chinamen out of Slocan is being applauded in the Eastern press. There never was a time in British Columbia that the color of a man's skin affected his standing before the law.

Rossland mining brokers report considerable activity in stocks and say that the outlook is for a very brisk movement in the near future.

That is a splendid sea story which our despatches tell to-day. What is it that makes the men of our race so ready to perform deeds of heroism?

Mr. Foster wants some one to tell him what the present Dominion government has done to open up the Yukon. Mr. Foster should ask easier conundrums.

The words of praise bestowed upon Hood's Sarsaparilla by those who have taken it prove the merit of the medicine.

HYPNOTISM.

What is hypnotism? Mr. McEwen gives a little talk about it at his interesting entertainments, but he does not cast very much light upon the question. If all the literature on the subject could be massed in one volume it would make a monstrous affair, but after one had read it through, he would still ask himself, "What is hypnotism?" The most that can be said is that some of the conditions under which people can be hypnotized are pretty well understood. It seems to be established that to produce the hypnotic state, both the operator and the person operated upon must co-operate. If an adult person of ordinary mental powers can be so influenced against his will, the fact has yet to be demonstrated. Mr. McEwen says that a person may hypnotize himself. There would appear to be no reason for doubting this, but the practice is not common enough to afford data for speculation.

Has hypnotism a real value? There is no room for doubt as to the answer. It is already employed to some extent in surgery. Under intelligent and conscientious direction, it could undoubtedly be utilized in many beneficial ways. Most persons are familiar with one or more charms for toothache. Many of these depend upon a species of mesmeric or hypnotic influence. Very wise people deny that they have the least efficacy, and no doubt it may be a sign of a weak mind to put any faith in them; but it is a good thing to get rid of a bad toothache, even if you have only been fooled into the belief that it has gone.

Hypnotism is probably the edge of a great science, about which more will be learned by and bye. There is reason to believe that in ancient times it had its experts, and that many apparently inexplicable phenomena, which tradition explains by referring them to direct divine interposition, were due to this influence. It is undoubtedly not a supernatural power. It simply represents a phase of nature with which we are not familiar. To the savage the telephone is supernatural. It represents a phase of natural phenomena with which he is not familiar. The science of which hypnotism is a phase will doubtless be better understood by and bye. In the meantime we can only ask what it is and wonder at its effects.

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He—No, as to which one will marry her first.—Harlem Life.

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Manager of Trolley Line—I think we can take you. What is your name?

Applicant—Glass.

M.—Good day, sir. You can never be a conductor.—Brooklyn Life.

"What did Bridget say when she broke the last cut glass bowl we have?"

"She said it should never happen again."—Chicago Record.

The Woman in Black—He's her third, you know, but she really blushed like a young girl all through the ceremony.

The Woman in Mauve, Yellow and Green—I don't wonder! Just look what she was marrying!—Indianapolis Journal.

"You are an iceberg!" exclaimed her elderly but well-preserved adorer, pale with anger and mortification. "A dozen cupids, with a hundred arrows each, could never find a vulnerable place in your flinty heart."

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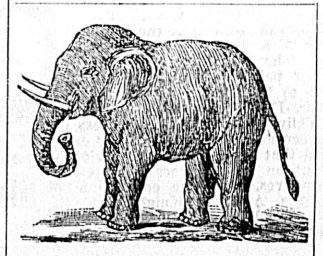

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Hunt Club Meet.—Weather permitting, the Victoria Hunt Club will meet next Saturday at Metchosin at 2 p. m.

Party Organized.—Mr. J. H. Brownlee has completed the organization of his survey party, and will leave for the Atlin country on January 15.

A Concert at St. John's.—The evening of the 12th instant—next Monday—is reserved by the good people of St. John's church for a concert in the school-room, under the general direction of Mr. A. Longfield. The proceeds are to be applied to the Ladies' Guild fund.

Looking for a Pastor.—Having been disappointed in their search for a pastor on the Atlantic seaboard, the congregation of Emmanuel Baptist church is now looking to Western Ontario for a successor to Mr. Orin E. Kendall. The official board is at present in communication with Rev. Mr. Corkerry, of Windsor, Ont., whom it is intended to call to the pastorate.

Resuming Business.—Mr. Harry Harris, the former proprietor of the Colonist hotel, Beacon Hill park, has just completed arrangements since his return from the North, for the Adelphi, at the corner of Government and Yates streets, and a score of years ago possibly the most famous saloon on the Pacific coast. He opens this—for him—new place of business on Monday next, and will make a special feature of the bowling alley, one of the best in the province.

Late Robert Ridley.—The funeral of the late Robert Ridley will take place this morning and will be attended by the members of the Pioneer Society. The deceased was just 80 years of age, younger, by some years, than most of his friends thought. In the brief history of his adventurous career published yesterday morning, from data obtained from an old scrap book of his containing notes of his own experiences in connection with the incidents chronicled, the fact was omitted that after leaving the government dredger he went to work for Mr. Joseph Spratt, at the Albion Iron Works, remaining there until Mr. Spratt's death.

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Help From Abroad.—The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Jubilee hospital have received a donation of $50 from A. Von Lokeren, Thenon, Department Dordogne, France, through his agents, Messrs. Loewenburg, Harris & Co., towards the fund for the children's ward. Mr. Von Lokeren makes annual contributions to Victoria's charitable institutions.

United in Marriage.—Rev. Dr. Campbell on Wednesday evening officiated at the marriage of F. N. Coslin, of the E. & N. railway, and Miss Grace Singleton, the youngest daughter of the late Peter S. Calvert. The bride was given away by her brother, J. H. Calvert, and was attended by Misses Florence E. Conway and Florence Marion Cameron. Mr. W. T. Marshall supported the groom. Mr. and Mrs. Coslin are spending their honeymoon in Tacoma.

Committee of Fifty.—The citizens' Committee of Fifty are not going to let the grass grow under their feet—if such an expression is allowable this weather—but are having another meeting at the City hall on Wednesday evening next at eight o'clock to discuss the reports already received, to hear new ones and to generally take action to accomplish something practical before the civic elections come along.

Residence Burglarized.—The residence of Lieut. Walter, R. N., Oak Lodge, Esquimalt road, was entered during Wednesday night and a valuable gold watch, cable chain, locket, gold seal watch-key, oxidized watch, catskin rug and $2 in silver were stolen. An entrance was gained through the kitchen door, which was found open Thursday morning. The watch was an old English one, with gold dial as well as case, and had been in the family for upwards of 100 years. Two weeks ago Lieut. Walter missed a silver match-box, but this was found by one of the district messenger boys on the street.

Borne to the Grave.—A large number of sympathizing friends yesterday attended the funeral of the late Henry B. Clay, which took place from the family residence, Fort street. Services were conducted at the house and cemetery by Rev. W. Leslie Clay, and the following gentlemen acted as pall-bearers: R. H. Jameson, C. A. Lombard, George Winn, W. Newbigging and Otto Weiler. The casket was covered with beautiful floral offerings. To the many friends who, by kindly acts, showed their sympathy in her bereavement, Mrs. Clay wishes to extend her thanks.

Broke Gaol.—James McIntosh, a sailor from H. M. S. Leander, serving three months at the provincial gaol for desertion, made his escape yesterday. He was working in the rock quarry, and while on a trip to the dump allowed his wheelbarrow to drop over. This made it necessary for him to go behind a rock pile to recover the wheelbarrow, and the guards not suspecting anything, he had a clear run and was over the fence before he was missed. McIntosh had served six weeks. This is the second escape made in the same way within the last couple of months. McIntosh was captured last evening by Guard Hunter.

Women's Mission Society.—At the residence of Mrs. Durham, the regular monthly meeting of the Women's Mission Society of the Metropolitan Methodist church was held yesterday afternoon, when Mrs. Michonns was elected president. Mrs. Michonns, Mrs. G. A. Sargison, Miss Bowes and Mrs. P. Chapman were appointed delegates to the annual meeting of the Women's Council to be held at the City hall on December 18. Arrangements were made for the advancement of mission work, a donation of $5 was acknowledged from Mr. Harp, and considerable routine business transacted. Refreshments were served and the meeting broke up after a very satisfactory session.

Well Provided For.—In connection with the letter from a correspondent, appearing in yesterday morning's Colonist, a resident of James Bay states that the family of the late Mrs. Costello have been provided for. The residents in the vicinity of Randall street raised upwards of $100 to provide for the funeral, and during Mrs. Costello's illness saw that neither she nor the children wanted for anything. There are five children. The two eldest are able to provide for themselves, the third has been given a home in a family, and the two youngest are to be sent to the orphanage. The funeral of Mrs. Costello took place yesterday afternoon.

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Little to Be Expected From the Semlin Party When Judged by Past Actions.

TO THE ELECTORS OF ALBERNI:

Alberni, December 7, 1898.

As an old settler in the district and known to you all, in offering my services to you as your representative in the legislature of this province, it is fitting that I should state briefly the position I take in politics, and what are the interests of Alberni which I shall especially strive to promote.

Believing that the action of the Lieutenant-Governor in calling upon Hon. Mr. Turner for his resignation was unconstitutional, and that the ministry formed by the Hon. Mr. Semlin is animated by a desire to lessen the influence and representation of Vancouver Island in the legislature, and that its general policy, as exhibited by its acts so far, is not calculated to promote the prosperity of the province, but is on the contrary of such a nature that it tends to discourage private enterprise and retard development generally, I will, if elected, use my best efforts to secure a new administration, and one that will be free from sectional bias and broad and progressive in its dealing with public questions.

The late administration showed its appreciation of the growing importance of Alberni by giving it a member in the legislature. One of the propositions in favor with the present government is to deprive this district of that privilege by uniting it with some other district, whereby its vote will be swamped. I believe the present and future importance of Alberni is such that it is justly entitled to be continued as a separate constituency, and my influence will be exerted to that end.

Alberni needs railway communication with other points on the Island. Without this it can never reach that stage of prosperity which its natural resources render possible. The late administration was committed to the policy of railway extension, and for this reason, among others, had my support. The present government, while its members were in opposition, steadily opposed every measure that would secure railways for British Columbia, and I am informed since getting into power they have been and are now using their best efforts to thwart the plans so wisely laid down by their predecessors to secure the construction of railways. Under these circumstances it becomes the duty, I submit, of the people of Alberni by their votes to let the province know where they stand on the subject of railway extension. If you honor me with your suffrages, I pledge myself to do what in me lies to secure such legislative aid as will bring about the construction of a railway to Alberni at the earliest possible day.

The future of Alberni largely depends upon its mines. The policy of the late government in regard to mining gave satisfaction in all parts of the province and called forth expressions of the warmest approval from other parts of Canada, Great Britain and the United States. I believe that everything that can be done ought to be done to further the interests of miners and prospectors, who are the pioneers of progress in this province. My aim, if you choose me as your representative, will be to make the wants of these classes known to the government and the legislature, and to secure for them such legislation as will advance their interests.

The Alberni district requires highways to open those areas within it which are adapted to farming, as well as to give the mines access to the main routes of travel, and I therefore will endeavor to secure the largest possible appropriations for roads and bridges.

I hold that $2.50 per day is a small enough wage for the man who works upon the public roads for the government, and I pledge myself to endeavor to secure a restoration of that rate.

I hold it to be the duty of the legislature to redress any wrong which may have been done to the public, settlers, prospectors or miners by reason of the E. & N. railway grant. I will give my best consideration to all causes of complaint, and if they appear to be founded in justice will do what I can in my representative capacity to secure that consideration at the hands of the government and legislature which they should receive.

Alberni needs a government building, and if I am elected I will insist upon an appropriation being made at the forthcoming session of the legislature for such a building here as will suit the requirements of the district.

The proper administration of justice is the only protector of our interests. I am opposed to the manner in which the present government is dealing with this branch of the public service.

I believe that public officials should be paid a decent living salary, and I am opposed to the penny wise pound foolish principle of selecting men for responsible official position simply because they are willing to take a reduced salary, or to the practice of reducing the salaries of men who have been long in the public service and done their duty.

I am for a free press, because freedom of the press is the best safeguard of popular liberty.

Without going further into particulars, I desire to assure you that if you decide to accept me as your representative, I will endeavor to the utmost of my ability to serve the constituency faithfully, and make its advantages as a field for colonization and investment known abroad.

Yours respectfully,

M. A. WARD.

The Wilson's Crew.—Four more members of the crew of the British bark Walter H. Wilson were yesterday sentenced to two weeks' imprisonment without hard labor for refusing duty. They were F. Kartenburg, G. W. Sonneson, James White and William Ness. The latter caused quite a sensation by throwing at the captain a piece of salt beef, which he had taken to court as a sample of the food supplied to the men. It passed between the captain and his counsel and struck the prisoner's counsel. Ness had previously requested the magistrate to sample the beef but his Honor declined. When he threw it he was warned that he was liable to a severe sentence for contempt of court. The charge against Mate Hunter of having assaulted one of the crew was dismissed. The ship is to be towed into Esquimalt harbor to-day and other members of the crew will be proceeded against for refusing duty.

Small nostrils are said by physiologists to indicate small and weak lungs.

CASCADE CITY SHOOTING.

Particulars of How the Three Men Were Shot Last Week.

Additional particulars of the shooting trouble at Cascade City have been received by Superintendent Hussey from Chief Constable McMynn, of Cascade City. From what could be learned it appears that Kennedy, a night watchman at Cascade City, was put in charge for the night of a man named Miller who had been arrested on November 29 by Provincial Constable Darcy. During the evening two men—Tim Sullivan and Jack Pick—came around the police office and Kennedy asked what they were doing there. The reply was: "Get out of here or I will shoot." Kennedy replied in almost the same words; and at once Pick fired, the bullet striking Kennedy in the left breast. Kennedy fired back, shooting Pick in the leg; whereupon Sullivan made a rush at Kennedy, who shot him through the body, wounding him very dangerously. Pick tied up his leg and made off and failing to hire a horse at a construction camp, made his way towards the United States border and on December 1 was seen going in the direction of Bossbury with Miller, who had been before the magistrate and discharged on November 30. Kennedy's wound does not appear very serious as he is able to be about, but Sullivan's wound is serious though he may recover. A charge of unlawful wounding has been laid against Kennedy so that the whole affair will be investigated.

THE DARDANELLES.

Body of Very Rich Ore Struck in the Lower Workings.

Hon. Fred Peters, who is back from a business trip to the Kootenay country in connection with the Mollie Gibson Co. and other mining interests with which he is connected, says that a remarkable degree of activity is noticeable in the Slocan country where he went for the purpose of visiting the Dardanelles mine belonging to the Dardanelles Mining and Milling Co. of Victoria, and of which he is one of the directors. The Dardanelles group has a lot of development work done, the shaft having reached a depth of 497 feet. In addition to this there is over a couple of thousand feet of drifts and upraises. Mr. Peters was over every inch of the workings and is delighted with the results that have followed the sinking of the shaft to its present depth where it shows 18 inches of splendid ore. Seventy-five feet above this where a drift is being driven enough ore is being taken out to pay all the working expenses of the mine and from the tunnel above one man in the upraise, which will when finished connect with another level, is sending down four tons of ore a day without any attempt at stoping. By the 15th of this month three carloads of ore will be shipped, netting $75 a ton in silver and lead. The lower workings in the mine have opened out great bodies of very rich ore and in the lowest tunnel already referred to, Mr. Peters, out of curiosity, knocked out a large piece of ore from the vein and had it assayed with a result of $155.

To Try Conclusions.—The Battalion and Victoria West Intermediates come together in a basket ball game at the Drill hall on Saturday evening. The match will be one of the attractions of the regular weekly concert.

The Date Decided.—The joint committee of the Sons and Daughters of St. George have decided upon Monday, January 2—which of course will be celebrated as New Year's Day—as the date of their annual ball. The A. O. U. W. hall will again be the scene of the festivities.

"Pudd'nhead Wilson."—"Pudd'nhead Wilson," Mark Twain's great story as dramatized by Frank Mayo, will be seen at the Victoria theatre on Tuesday evening. The company producing the play is one of those high-salaried organizations such as are found only in productions of this kind. With two or three exceptions, the cast is the same that played in the piece during its long run at the Herald Square theatre, New York, and the coming engagement here of this high-class entertainment will no doubt bring out one of the largest and most representative audiences of the season.

Plenty of Fish.—Messrs. Brown and Cooper, the Johnson street fish dealers, report that halibut, cod and other varieties of fish have been very plentiful this week. They have, they consider, been selling at current rates and have been quoting halibut at summer prices for the last six weeks. All varieties, they maintain, have been fairly plentiful and in their opinion the market throughout the winter will continue as well if not better supplied than it was for the same season a year ago. Bad weather generally accounts for a suspension of fishing operations and this when followed by a fine spell affects prices.

FAME'S PATHWAY.

Richard Mansfield has never been very popular with picture buyers, but as Cyrano many of his photos are asked for.

William Pitt Washburne, youngest son of the late Elihu B. Washburne, died in Texas a few days ago. He was a Yale graduate and of a literary bent.

Senator Hanna is the owner of the manuscript from which General Grant made his memorable speech at Warren in the Garfield campaign. It was a gift from Grant to the senator.

Rear Admiral Howison, who, by the retirement of Rear Admiral Miller, becomes the ranking officer of the navy, is considered one of the most successful business men in this branch of the service.

Mrs. Sarah Terry, of Philadelphia, is 107 years old and is the oldest member of the Daughters of the Revolution, which society she joined two weeks ago.

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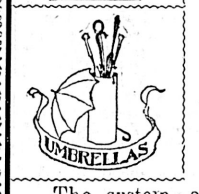

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TO RAISE THE BRIXHAM

Stranded Vessel to Be Floated If Possible and Taken to Quartermaster.

Queen City Returns From West Coast—Another Steamer for Coast Service.

Capt. E. E. Caine expects to leave in three or four days with the tug Resolute and steamer Rapid Transit for Blashke island to raise the wrecked steamer Brixham, says the Post-Intelligencer. The Resolute is lying at the Arlington dock taking on tackle and apparatus for the expedition. Capt. Caine expects to get the wrecked vessel off the reef and in readiness to tow to Quartermaster harbor in two or three days after arriving there, provided the weather is good. The exact proceedings cannot be settled until the expedition is on the ground; but the hole in the steamer's bottom will be patched up and she will be taken off the reef first, and then fitted for being towed to the drydock. It is not expected that the wreckers will be gone from here more than two weeks.

THE COLUMBIA'S CREW.

Nothing has as yet been done toward paying off the men on the broken down City of Columbia now lying in Hilo harbor, and the sailors are becoming dissatisfied. Their contracts expire on the 23rd inst., and at that time they may take orders on the company for their pay and receive their discharges from the consular agent there, says the Honolulu Gazette of November 22. There is some objection to this plan as by it they release the ship to take chances on getting their pay from the owners in Seattle. Their action will depend upon the word received from the consul general at Honolulu.

The small boats belonging to the steamer have been prohibited landing at the bridge landing and hereafter they will probably use the one in Waiakea river or the government boat landing. Altogether the officers and men of the steamer are not having an enjoyable time.

A QUIET MONTH.

In R. P. Rithet & Co.'s monthly report for November shipping business is thus described: "During the greater part of the month the freight market has been dull, and sometimes lifeless, so far as grain vessels are concerned at least. Rates, too, have not been maintained quite at the same level owing to the more limited demand, and tonnage on the spot is not in much request. In the lumber section the situation is better and a fairly active enquiry has hardened rates a little. This is offset, however, by the fact that most mills are well supplied with orders, which will take some time to work off. For the time being therefore these influences may be expected to prevent much expansion, while keeping freights steady."

QUEEN CITY RETURNS.

The steamer Queen City returned yesterday morning from a short trip down the West Coast, bringing as passengers a number of mining men from Alberni and Clayoquot. Among them were Messrs. Sullivan and Short, who have been down to Alberni canal viewing some properties on Granite creek in the interest of an American syndicate and incidentally looking over the Alberni Consolidated. At Hayes' camp 300 tons of ore was reported on the dump and improvements were still going on, it being estimated that when these were completed large shipments would be made daily from the mine now one of the most promising in British Columbia. The Queen City also visited the new mining properties up Trepina inlet about 25 miles up from Clayoquot on Clayoquot sound.

MARINE NOTES.

Capt. Chas Spring has engaged the little steamer Mist to be operated this coming season in connection with his business on the West Coast. The Mist was run last year in Northern waters by Messrs. F. C. Davidge & Co. From now on she will be used as a freighter.

The trim little tug Erie, of Vancouver, has been chartered by Victorians and will be operated in connection with the tug Vancouver of this port.

Steamer Rosalie sails for Northern ports this morning and the Dirigo, which is now undergoing alterations at Seattle, next Thursday.

The stern-wheelers Mary Ellen, Galvin and City of Dawson, vessels which were built at San Francisco for the Klondike trade, are now being offered for sale.

ENTERED.

Str. Islander from Vancouver.
Str. City of Seattle from Port Townsend.
Str. Princess Louise from Westminster.
Str. Garland from Port Angeles.
Sloop Daisy from Salt Spring Island.

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PIONER SOCIETY.

The Members Hold Their Annual Meeting and Elect Officers.

The British Columbia Pioneer Society held their annual meeting last night and before the business of the evening was proceeded with the president referred feelingly to the passing away of one of the oldest charter members of the society, Robert E. Ridley. Although the end was looked for yet the lessening of the numbers of pioneers brought its touch of sadness and the society will record on their minutes their heartfelt sympathy and wil send their condolence to the bereaved family. The society regret being unable to postpone the annual dinner which takes place this evening at the Occidental hotel as all the arrangements were completed on Tuesday.

The election of officers resulted in the following being chosen and duly installed: President, J. Robertson; vice-president, H. Dallas Helmcken, Q.C.; physician, Hon. J. S. Helmcken; secretary, Allan Graham; treasurer, E. J. Thain; auditor, J. B. Lovell; directors, J. W. Carey, N. Shakespeare, T. Flewin, A. Jack, Ald. Humphrey, Chief Sheppard, E. Metcalf.

A vote of thanks was presented to the retiring officers before the meeting broke up.

A great deal of trouble has been taken to make the dinner this evening a successful one.

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RESURRECTION OF THE BODY.

Sermon by the Bishop of London Before a Medical Guild Causes Much Comment.

Robes of scarlet and purple, maroon, mauve, green, white and black swarmed in St. Paul's cathedral when the thirty-fourth anniversary of the Guild of St. Luke the Physician was celebrated. These dazzling garments were the state trappings of several hundred medical men and women, the latter, however, being but a small part of the band. It was estimated that 1,000 doctors were present on the invitation of the guild, and that they had brought with them 1,500 allies, says the London News.

The Bishop of London preached the sermon, contending that the true view of the human body was overlooked for many ages. The body was despised as something essentially degraded because men were ignorant of its real powers, functions and connections with their permanent self. The conception of self, the conception even of soul and spirit, could not be realized apart from the body.

There was a time when science rather mocked at the possibility of a resurrection of the mortal frame, but that, the bishop thought, was changed. At least he had heard of a great biologist saying that if there was a resurrection it must be resurrection of the body. It was impossible to conceive of the body and spirit existing without one another. That being so, what a marvelous prospect was open to the medical man! He might say that the marks of his skill were stamped on certain human frames, to be carried by them into eternity. This might seem imaginative, but the doctor who took such a view would feel a higher sense of responsibility.

Speaking of the medical missionary college contemplated by the guild, the bishop said it would be of incalculable benefit to the mission cause. To go among the heathen and teach them by practice more than precept that their bodies were capable of being raised to an unknown height of glory was an object worthy of the medical profession, and of all who thanked God for the high standard of the profession in this country, and felt, as every family did, that the medical attendant was their best friend.

UNION WITH WEST INDIES.

Dominion Statistican Figures That It Would Be Profitable

Ottawa, Nov. 29.—Mr. George Johnson, Dominion statistician, since his communication to the newspapers a few weeks ago urging the union of the British West Indies with the Dominion, has been more than gratified at the favor shown in many quarters at his proposal. Mr. Johnson is full of cogent reasons in support of his suggestion, and said he had an influential ally in Mr. Chamberlain, the colonial secretary, who has written a paper, which appears in the December number of Scribner, entitled "Recent Developments of Policy in the United States." Mr. Johnson says:

"In dealing with the expansion of territory by the United States, as seen in the annexation of Hawaii, and Porto Rico, Mr. Chamberlain approves of the policy underlying these annexations, and in so doing employs the very arguments that have been used in the presentation of the reasons why Canada should aim to secure the incorporation of the British West Indies with the Dominion.

"First.—Every temperate zone country needs as its complement a tropical region.

"Second.—Isolation results in deterioration."

Mr. Chamberlain says: "The absolute devotion of any people to its domestic politics narrows the issues of public life, gives to them a partizan and personal character and tends to a provincialism of sentiment and aspiration."

"These two reasons," continued Mr. Johnson, "are just as potent in the case of Canada and the British West Indies as in the case of the United States and Porto Rico and the Philippine Islands. They are even stronger; for Canada lies altogether in the temperate zone, while part of the United States is within the tropics. The trade reason is the stronger of the two reasons put forward by Mr. Chamberlain in the case of the United States. It overtops all objections that might be raised against the incorporation of the tropical countries into the United States. Race, religion, condition of development in civilization, are not even mentioned by him. They do not have a feather's weight in the scale when put in opposition against the great trade reason he adduced as suggesting the necessity for the union of the temperate and the tropical zones in the case of the United States as the representative of the first, and Hawaii, Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines of the second. Those who believe that what Mr. Chamberlin declared to be good for the United States is also good for Canada, must hail the colonial secretary as a co-worker with them. To those who oppose the union of the temperate zone and the torrid zone, represented by Canada and by the British West Indies, race, religion and general condition seem to be insuperable barriers. Are they?

"To the statement that Canada is not populous nor wealthy enough to undertake the important work of bringing the people of the British West Indies up to a high plane of civilization while developing their natural resources, I answer: Look at Holland—a country whose people are not brighter or more intelligent than Canadians, nor wealthier, nor more energetic. Holland manages 35,000,000 of people in the tropics, and does it well. Is there any reason why five millions of Hollanders should be successful in developing thirty-five millions of natives of the tropics and five millions of Canadians should shrink from assisting one and a half million of natives of the tropics to reach a higher state of development, temporally, spiritually and intellectually, than they have attained? To those who object that we have language difficulties enough without adding one more, I answer by asking a question: Are Canadians such an emasculated people that they are afraid to grapple with a great project because more than two languages would be spoken? The example of Switzerland should shame such objectors to silence. About three millions of people from the republic of Switzerland, and these three millions speak three languages—German, French, Italian, and Roumansch, with 64 dialects of the four. No one but a person with a 108-geared wheel of pessimism running riot in his brain would urge the language difficulty as an insuperable objection to the union of the British West Indies and Canada. In the face of the fact that Switzerland has not found any trouble arising from a multiplicity of languages. There are about 900 languages used by white, yellow, brown, black and red races of mankind, and the British Empire includes within its colossal folds almost all of them, and yet she gets along fairly well in her management of this diversified Babel-tongued aggregation, dealing out justice and civilization alike to those who speak soft, flowing, vowel-filled tongues and to those whose language sounds like the rush of rocks, all consonants. To those who objects that the laws are different, the answer is ready. Many of the million and a half people in the British West Indies not only speak French, but are under the guidance of the French civil law, that was in force in France before the revolution. The laws in other islands are the same in principle as those in use throughout the English-speaking parts of Canada. There is no trouble about religion. The creeds are about as well distributed in the British West Indies as they are in Canada. I don't know if there is as much fighting about religion with each other there as here."

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ALLEGED MIRACLE.

An Image of the Infant Jesus Said to Move Its Eyes.

From the Montreal Witness.

The community of pious young girls who for some years past have been leading a life of prayer and sacrifice in a private house on Amherst street, under the direction of Dr. Jacques, a well known physician, and about whom there was so much gossip some time ago, when it became known that they slept in their coffins, are again attracting attention in the East End. This is on account of a miracle which is alleged to have taken place in their establishment. In their chapel these young girls, who are not yet recognized as nuns by the ecclesiastical authorities, have an image of the infant Jesus. Two of them are said to have plainly seen, a couple of days ago, this image open and close its eyes, and they also believe that they saw one or two tears run down its cheek. The news having become known outside, it spread at once among the people as a positive and genuine miracle. The parties directly interested, however, have not come to such a hasty conclusion, but have reported the thing for what it is worth to the proper ecclesiastical authorities, and further developments are awaited. What gives considerable interest to this matter is that a somewhat similar manifestation is alleged to have been given by the same image of the infant Jesus a few years ago.

KOWTOW TO BRITISH.

Chinese Barbarians Taught a Lesson in Manners Before Company.

From the Montreal Gazette.

The birthday salute which the Chinese Emperor was called upon to give to the Dowager Empress, known as the Kowtow, consists of kneeling down and touching the ground with the forehead. It is really an act of worship, but it is often used by subordinates to those in high office. A few days ago a still more singular ceremony than that of the birthday party was witnessed on the land recently leased by the Chinese government to Great Britain. Nine villagers knelt down in line and kowtowed to the Union Jack—probably the first time in history that the old flag has received such a salutation. The villagers' offence consisted in shutting a gate when a British surveying party wished to pass through it. The Hon. T. Sercombe Smith, acting colonial secretary at Hongkong, thought the incident too serious to pass over, especially as after the event the villagers published a petition in which they said: "On account of the English barbarians who came secretly to spy out our lands, we forcibly resisted them, thus vindicating the reputation of our district." But they very soon found that they were on the wrong track and withdrew this petition, substituting for it another in quite a different tone. It is an amusing specimen of Chinese servility:

"A petition from the gentry of Kam Tin village stating that through the ignorance of the country people they had committed an offence for which they knew they should repent, and praying that they may be graciously pardoned as an act of great kindness exhibited to them.

"Petitioners state that the people in Kam Tin village are farmers or firewood-cutters, and had no manners of education. Some time ago the Hon. J. H. Stewart Lockhart, the British commissioner who was appointed to make a survey of (the leased) territory, arrived at this village, when some of the farmers and persons who carried burdens got frightened, suddenly barred the gate, being rustics and ignorant, thereby heedlessly offending the Hon. J. H. Stewart Lockhart.

"On learning the facts of the case, from enquiry being made, petitioners sumoned these offenders before them and have reprimanded them. They have now received instructions from the magistrate of this place, who acted under instructions from his superior officers, to bring the persons in company with them to proceed at once to Hongkong to tender their apology and settle the case. Upon receipt of these instructions, petitioners trembled with fear and again summoned (the offenders), for an explanation and reprimanded them. Now the people of the whole village are well aware that they have committed a very great wrong for which they know that repentance is too late. Wherefore, they purposely present a petition to Your Honor and pray that they will be graciously pleased to show an extraordinary favor to them out of consideration for the ignorance of the rustic people and pardon them for this—a favor which not only petitioners, but the whole inhabitants of the village will ever keep in their remembrance."

But this did not satisfy the Hon. T. Sercombe Smith. He had the offenders summoned to Hongkong and there they knelt down in line and kowtowed three times to the Union Jack, thus paying the humblest obedience to the flag they had insulted. Mr. Smith then gave them a severe lecture on the enormity of shutting gates in the face of British surveyors, and concluded: "Now then you can go about your business. Do not repeat it, and when the British come along there again mind your P's and Q's. Take care you behave yourselves. Now, then, get away." After this it is surprising to read that "the deputation expressed thanks for the reception." Evidently Mr. Smith knows how to deal with these people. To them all this is a very serious business, and had, no doubt, an excellent effect in maintaining British prestige, though the Britisher at a distance may have difficulty in repressing his laughter.

SWEDISH KLONDIKE EXPEDITION.

From the London Times.

Some interesting particulars have just been published concerning the Swedish expedition which went to Klondike last year under the leadership of Herr Otto Nordenskiold. The expedition was sent out by Herr Eh. banker, of Stockholm, who expended about £5,500 over it; but the money appears to have been well spent. The purpose of the expedition was both scientific and commercial, and its results are stated to have been very satisfactory, partly owing to the fact that the staff of the mission consisted of competent men in the several departments. Herr Nordenskiold and his scientific colleagues are the first geologists who have examined the new gold field methodically, and on this account their special reports may be looked forward to with more than usual interests. From his investigations in the country of the Pelly and Stewart rivers, Herr Nordenskiold arrives at the conclusion that compared with what may be achieved in the Klondike district proper, all other gold fields in the Yukon territory are of little value. The Klondike district—that is to say, the country bordered on the north by the Klondike river, on the south by the Indian river, on the west by the Yukon river, and on the east by the Old Gold creek—is, on the other hand, all the richer for it. In this district Herr Nordenskiold, soon after his arrival in Dawson City, took up several claims, which are now being worked by the personnel of the expedition, and are said to possess a value of, roundly, £150,000. The syndicate at the back of the Swedish-Klondike expedition, and of which, amongst others, Baron A. E. Nordenskiold is a member, is to be turned into a limited liability company; the object of the company, however, is not the working of gold mines in Klondike, but the acquisition of claims, their combination into blocks suitable for organized mining, and the formation of mining companies on the block system. The parent company is to have a share in managing the new company.

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In China therels no regular standard of distance. A Chinese mile may be from a quarter of an English mile to a mile and three-quarters, according to the province.

The small town of Werda, in the kingdom of Dahomey ,is celebrated for its temple of serpents — a long building in which the priests keep upwards of 1,000 serpents of all sizes which they feed with birds and frogs brought to them as offerings by the natives.

ABOUT CATARRH.

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NO. 203.

A BY-LAW.

To Amend the "Expenditure By-Law, 1898."

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the "Expenditure By-Law, 1898:"

Therefore the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria enacts as follows:

1. Statement H of the Schedule to the "Expenditure By-Law, 1898," is hereby repealed, and the following substituted therefor:

VIII.—EDUCATION.

No. of Vote.	Statement H. Service.	Estimated for service ending 31st Dec 1898.	Total.
59	Board of school trustees for school purposes	$43,000 00	$43,000 00

2. This By-Law may be cited as the "Expenditure By-Law, 1898, Amendment By-Law."

Passed the Municipal Council on the 31st day of October, 1898.

Reconsidered, adopted and finally passed by the Council this 1st day of November, 1898.

(L.S.) CHAS. E. REDFERN, Mayor.
WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C. M. C.

NOTICE.

The above is a true copy of a by-law passed by the Municipal Council of the City of Victoria, on the 1st day of November, A.D. 1898, and all persons are hereby required to take notice that anyone desirous of applying to have such by-law or any part thereof, quashed, must make his application for that purpose to the Supreme Court within one month next after the publication of this by-law in the British Columbia Gazette, or he will be too late to be heard in that behalf.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C. M. C.

Remember when going North that the
Hotel Astoria.
AT SKAGWAY,
Is the largest and best furnished Hotel n Alaska. Has steam heat, electric lights, bathroom, hot and cold water, call bells, etc. Reliable information as to freight and transportation furnished on application. Baggage stored free.
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Municipal Elections for 1898

The following persons are entitled to vote, namely:

FOR MAYOR.

Any person qualified to vote for aldermen is entitled to vote for Mayor.

FOR ALDERMEN.

The following persons are entitled to vote in any ward in which they may be registered as ratepayers, that is to say, any male or female being a British subject, and of the full age of twenty-one years, and

(a.) Who is the assessed owner of land or of improvements or the assessed occupier of lands situate within the municipality, or

(A1.) Who is the representative, duly authorized by the directors of an incorporated company which is the assessed owner of lands or of improvements of lands situate within the municipality, or

(b.) Who is a resident of and carries on business, and is the holder of a trades license in the municipality, the annual fee for which is not less than $5.00, and who has paid on or before the 1st day of November, 1898, the full license fee therefor, or

(c.) Who is a householder within the municipality. "A householder" is defined as a person who holds and occupies a messuage, dwelling, or tenement; or any part or portion of a messuage, dwelling or tenement, within the municipality, paying therefor a rental or rent value of not less than $60 per annum. Householders must have paid all municipal rates, taxes and license fees (exclusive of water rate or rent) on or before the 1st day of December, 1898, to entitle them to make the declaration as mentioned below, and in order to be included in the voters' list must, on or before the 1st day of December, 1898, enter their names with the assessor or clerk of the municipality as voters and make and personally deliver to the clerk or the assessor at the same time a statutory declaration as set out in sec. 6, sub-section (2) of the Municipal Elections Act. Forms of the said declaration may be obtained at the office of Mr. W. W. Northcott, assessor, City Hall.

No Chinese, Japanese or Indians are entitled to vote.

By order.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C. M. C.

Victoria, B. C., 8th November, 1898.

No. 294.

A By-Law respecting the Qualification of Electors at Municipal Elections for the City of Victoria.

Whereas by sub-section (4) of section 6 of the "Municipal Elections Act," it is enacted that the Council of any Municipality may, by by-law, provide that electors otherwise qualified shall be entitled to vote, notwithstanding the non-payment of taxes, rates and assessments due or payable by such electors to the Municipality.

Therefore, the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, enacts as follows:

Sec. 1. Electors otherwise qualified to vote at any Municipal Election in the Municipality of Victoria, shall be entitled to vote at such election, notwithstanding the non-payment of taxes, rates and assessments due or payable by such electors to the Municipality.

Sec. 2. The "Municipal Electors' By-Law, 1897" (No. 277), is hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This By-Law may be cited as the "Municipal Electors' By-Law, 1898."

Passed the Municipal Council the 14th day of November, 1898.

Reconsidered, adopted and finally passed the Council this 21st day of November, A.D. 1898.

(L.S.) CHAS. E. REDFERN, Mayor.
WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C. M. C.

NOTICE.

The above is a true copy of a by-law passed by the Municipal Council of the City of Victoria, on the 21st day of November, A.D. 1898, and all persons are hereby required to take notice that anyone desirous of applying to have such by-law, or any part thereof, quashed, must make his application for that purpose to the Supreme Court within one month next after the publication of this by-law in the British Columbia Gazette, or he will be too late to be heard in that behalf.

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NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days after date we intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase, for townsite purposes, the following described parcel of land situate on Surprise Lake, Cassiar:—Commencing at a post on its north shore, about half a mile east from its outlet; thence north 40 chains; thence east 40 chains; thence south 40 chains; thence west along the shore of the Lake to point of commencement, 160 acres, more or less.

D. M. BROGAN.
JOHN GRANT.

October 20th, 1898. n8

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Remind Your Friends
That you still keep them within your remembrance by sending them a copy of
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SCIENCE AND FUN.

Hypnotism in Its Instructive Features and as a Source of Entertainment.

The Revival of the Study of Mental Force — McEwen's Greatest Test.

If hypnotism is a serious study, a science worthy of the attention of the ablest savants, why does Mr. McEwen make his entertainment what a theatrical man would probably call "an evening of one long laugh," "a screaming farcical success," "sixty smiles in sixty seconds," or something else on the same order?

Here is a question that will naturally suggest itself to the thoughtful man or woman who has seen the work of the eminent Scottish exponent and investigator along the lines of psychic research during his week's stay in Victoria. And yet the question is not such a poser as might be imagined by any means.

In the first place the great mass of the public would studiously avoid the hypnotic entertainment if it took the form of a learned discourse filled to overflowing with polysyllabic words and confusing "isms." The people want to be entertained, and to a majority entertainment and amusement are synonomous terms.

The sincere hypnotist, conscious of the wonderful possibilities of hypnosis for the race, and anxious to lift the veil from its imaginary mysteries, must therefore go slow. He can scarcely expect to be a master of hypnotism himself without first possessing a thorough knowledge of human nature, and the power of observation that tells him there are times to advance with caution.

He therefore administers the pill of instruction in the sugar coating of the continuous laugh, and his audiences enjoy themselves while they are at the same time unconsciously absorbing information and learning to forget the nonsense that untrue or incompetent exponents of the science may have told them in order to magnify their own performances or invest a natural force with the flavor of magic.

There is one thing in connection with Mr. McEwen's demonstrations that cannot have failed to command the attention of his audiences, last night's or any other night's. These are the genuineness of the tests, and the earnestness of the hypnotist in his endeavors to make understandable what to the average mortal has so long been tacitly accepted as almost supernatural.

That the hypnosis induced night after night this week is the genuine article none can doubt who held their sides and laughed till the tears came last evening, at the exhibitions of dentistry, love-making, fishing or cheering the ball game that were given by gentlemen living in the city and known to a majority of the citizens.

Would anyone who suggests that the tests are not bona fide—that the subjects are merely shamming—go so far as to say that any of these townspeople in their natural selves are sufficiently versed in dramatic skill or sufficiently blessed with good American "nerve" to go before a crowded theatre if they wished to and do the things they do at Mr. McEwen's suggestion?

Or would the strongest skeptic insofar as the cataleptic demonstrations are concerned, go to the trouble to try by physical strength what Miss Maynard does each evening? It would be interesting for any one who may say the subject merely "braces herself and makes her body rigid," to try the experiment. Stiffen out the body; get two friends to suspend it resting on the head and the heels between two chairs—then get five other friends to stand upon it, and see how long the voluntary rigidity will suffice!

As a matter of fact the scientific world is but again awakening to an appreciation of the usefulness of mental force intelligently applied. It is not a new thing—not newer than the pyramids or the great wall of China, for both the Egyptians and the ancient Chinese knew well its value and applied its principles.

Mr. McEwen, who is one of the ablest of the modern school, goes back yet further. He sees the signboards of hypnotic demonstration from page to page of the old testament, and proves the truths and the utility of hypnotics direct from holy writ.

How was it, he asks, that Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego walked scathless and unalarmed in the furnace of great fire? Was it a miracle? Nothing of the sort. It was because the prophet and they themselves suggested that the fire would not harm their bodies [illegible] controlled: the spiritual nature [illegible] perior to the mortal, and no harm could come to them.

And there are dozens of other similar illustrations. The true Christian will not regard them as sacriligious either—for are not science and religion mutually corroborative and supporting?

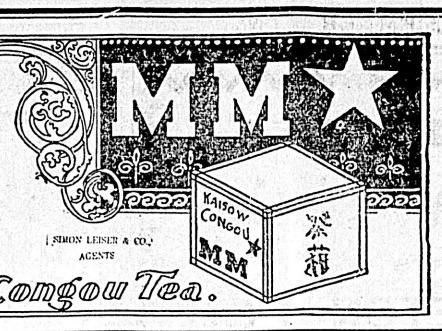
Hypnotism as Mr. McEwen—as others of its sincerest servants and students—explain it to the thoughtful who care to learn, is a master science, unlimited in its capacities for good. Hypnotism as the general world accepts it without caring or desiring enlightenment, may be made productive of a very merry evening, such as every evening of this week has been to patrons of the Victoria theatre.

It may be to the casual observer a degradation of science. Yet where can harm be found in Mr. McEwen's fun? He works on the dual principle apparently, that he who laughs has the world for company, and that smiles are the tonic of existence.

There are also occasions when the deepest truths may best be demonstrated with an innocent jest—though none the less truth, and none the less of value.

There now remain only two days in which Victorians can avail themselves of the opportunities afforded by Mr. McEwen's visit. He closes his Victoria engagement on Saturday evening, when he will present for the first time in Canada his most wonderful exhibition feature—"Hypnotism by telephone."

See that the letters "M. M." appear on the package with the Star in the Corner—that means it's the genuine



Kaisow Congou Tea.

ASSISTED IMMIGRATION.

Mr. Martin's Weakness for Imported Talent from Chief Justice Down.

At a convivial gathering of Vancouver Liberals in honor of Mr. D. C. Fraser, M. P., who is understood to have been an aspirant for more than one position in this province in the gift of the Ottawa government since the Liberals have controlled the patronage, Hon. Joseph Martin was one of the speakers. The News-Advertiser says:

"Mr. Martin spoke for some time on Liberal politics and then came back to home party politics. He and Mr. Maxwell had both endeavored to make Mr. Fraser a resident of British Columbia by trying to get him appointed chief justice here. They had failed, owing to the exclusiveness and narrow policy adopted in the province. He had no sympathy with the exclusive law of British Columbia which prevented good tried men, both at the bar and in the medical profession, from coming into the province to practice without having first prospected on its mountains or worked in its streets. He hoped to get, some day, the abolishment of such laws and added that the College of Physicians of Manitoba had written to him asking for his aid in that direction. The only test that should be put to a man was: "Is he capable, and is he a loyal Canadian?"

THE LOCAL NEWS.

Intercession Service.—A service of intercession for the Local Council of Women will be held at Christ church cathedral this morning at 11 o'clock, and an address will be given by Bishop Perrin.

His Worship Banqueted.—Mayor Redfern was the guest of the aldermen and heads of the civic departments at a banquet given in the Pacific Club rooms last evening. Twenty-seven sat down to dinner and spent a very jovial evening.

Busy Teachers.—Some of the teachers who find themselves very busy at this season have asked to have the Saturday science classes discontinued until after the vacation. This has been done, and the lectures that were to be given by Principal Paul and Miss Watson next Saturday have been deferred until the first Saturday in January.

Military Ball.—The general ball committee of the First battalion met last night, when an invitation list of over 1,500 was passed, and it was decided that as the ball takes place Friday, the next committee meeting will be held next Tuesday. The floor laying commenced yesterday, and all other arrangements are well in progress. The committee confidently anticipate that this ball will exceed the success of last year.

Sons of England.—Alexandra Lodge of the Sons of England last evening chose officers for the ensuing term as follows: W. P. P., A. Thomas; W. P., I. Nankivell; V.-P., Charles Holmes; Sec., J. G. Taylor; Treas., William Jones; Chaplain, H. Wager; committee, Messrs. Grice, Eaglestone and Pretty; Surgeon, F. W. Hall, M. D.; I. G., G. Roach; and O. G., G. Miller. The lodge is in a highly prosperous condition, $249 being in the hands of the treasurer.

TRAVELLERS' REGISTER.

HOTEL DAWSON.

J. W. Berry, Australia.
J. E. Smith, Australia.
W. Vernon, Australia.
Mr. Harrison, City.
Frank Morrison, Tacoma.
T. Young, Saanich.
G. Martin, Wellington.
G. G. Broughton, City.
F. W. Braisu.
Wm. Marriott, San Francisco.
M. Lechtenstein, San Francisco.
Mr. Monckman, Seattle.
A. Wright, North Yakima.
Geo. Pentlar and wife, Millstream.
Mr. Evans, Saanich.
Mr and Mrs. Kendall.
Riggo Guiseppo, Italy.
Sig. Dennezith, Italy.
F. Breret, Vancouver.
Mr. Baylers, Nanaimo.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. R. A. Masters, of Kentville, Nova Scotia, is a guest of Mr. A. J. Pineo, Belmont avenue.

J. H. Brownlee left this morning for Vancouver.

J. S. Gibson and E. J. and Mrs. Palmer, of Chemainus, are at the Hotel Victoria.

Tom Hodgeman, advance representative for "Yon Yonson," is at the Victoria. His attraction holds the date of the 16th instant.

R. B. Williams, of Chicago, is registered at the Hotel Victoria.

John Coughlan returned from the Sound by yesterday afternoon's steamer.

George A. Brackett, president of the White Pass railway, arrived in the city last evening and will spend several days here before going North.

Mrs. J. A. Carthew, who has been ill at the Jubilee hospital for some time, has sufficiently recovered to return home.

M. Sullivan and E. J. Short, of Spokane, are guests at the Victoria.

Captain J. S. Gibson, of Chemainus, is at the Victoria.

Alex. McDermott has returned from a visit to the Mainland.

D. S. Curtis, of New Westminster, came over on the Islander yesterday.

Rev. P. H. McEwen was a passenger from the Mainland last evening.

S. Oppenheimer came over from Vancouver last evening.

David Spencer and Miss Spencer returned last evening from the Mainland.

R. G. Cunningham is back from a visit to Vancouver.

THE GAZETTE.

Railway Extension—New Companies in the Field—Provincial Appointments.

Among the appointments recorded in the British Columbia Gazette of yesterday are the following:

P. S. Lampman, to be a stipendary magistrate for the county of Victoria, with jurisdiction in Victoria city and within a radius of forty miles of the city; George Christie Tunstall, government agent at Kamloops, to be registrar of the county court of Yale, vice C. W. T. Pearce, resigned; Martin Beattie, assessor and collector at Kamloops, to be clerk of the peace for Yale county, and mining recorder for the Kamloops mining division of Yale electoral district, vice C. T. W. Pearce, resigned; William Mitchell, government agent at Cumberland, to be a registrar of the county court of Nanaimo, held at Cumberland; and James Anthony Turner, of Nelson, to be gold commissioner for the Nelson, Ainsworth, Arrow Lake and Goat river mining division of West Kootenay district, and government agent, assistant commissioner of lands and works, judge of the court of revision and appeal, and to receive applications for registration and record, vice O. G. Dennis, resigned.

Among the just incorporated companies are the London & British Columbia Goldfields, Limited (extra-provincial), with its provincial office at Nelson, and capitalized at £200,000; the Victoria Mutual Aid & Improvement Company, of this city, with capital stock of $10,000; and the Mount Sicker & British Columbia Development Company, Limited (extra-provincial), with provincial offices in this city, Henry Croft as attorney and capital of £125,000. The Sandon Miners' Union has also formally incorporated under the Benevolent Societies Act, the miners for organization being Messrs. Joseph Stockman, Hugh McEachern, George Smith, Grant Cox, Wm. J. Garbutt, Robert J. M. McLean, James Fenning, Michael Kirlin and George McDonald.

McPhillips, Wootton & Barnard give notice of a proposed amendment to the "Kootenay & Northern Railway Companies Act, 1898," by consolidating in the Kootenay & Northern Railway Company all the franchises, etc., granted by the "East Kootenay Railway Act, 1897," and the Northwest Railway Company, and to extend the time limit in the said act.

Another company, represented by Bradburn, Dumbleton & Innes, seek power to build and operate a railway from Revelstoke, along the valleys of the Columbia and Canoe rivers to the 53rd parallel.

The complete list of duly qualified and accredited barristers and solicitors of British Columbia is published in the Gazette of this week.

The Lieutenant-Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation of Jacob Edwin Brouse, M.D., of New Denver, as a coroner for the Slocan mining division of West Kootenay.

KILLED AT A CROSSING.

Fate of a Lady Through Runaway Near Chatham.

Chatham, Dec. 8.—About a mile and a half east of Thamesville, Miss Warren, aged 35 years, was instantly killed, her horse running into the Grand Trunk train at a railway crossing.

BANK ROBBER'S APPEAL.

Ten Years for the Napanee Crime Will Not Be Served Without Further Effort.

Napanee, Dec. 8.—(Special)—It is understood that an appeal will be entered on behalf of Robert Mackie, who was last week sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary for the bank robbery.

GARCIA VERY ILL.

The Cuban General Caught a Very Bad Cold in Washington.

Washington, Dec. 8.—General Garcia, of the Cuban army, who has been confined to his hotel for six days, is announced to be seriously ill. There are some fears of pneumonia.

MASTER OF BRITISH MASONS.

Prince of Wales Renominated for That Position After Long Service.

London, Dec. 6.—The Grand Lodge of Master Masons, at its regular annual meeting to-day, re-nominated the Prince of Wales for election as Grand Master. This will be the fourteenth year that His Royal Highness has served as head of the order. To-morrow, in accordance with constitutional provision, His Royal Highness will be re-nominated for the twenty-fifth consecutive year as Most Worshipful Grand Master of Free Masons. At the latter meeting it is possible that official recognition may be taken of the invitation extended to the Prince of Wales by the Masonic bodies in America to visit Washington next year on the occasion of the Centennial of the burial of Washington at Mount Vernon.

ROCHE HARBOR FATALITY.

Foreman of the Lime Quarry Killed by Explosion of Giant Powder.

Roche Harbor, Dec. 7—Foreman Wilkinson, for several years employed in the Tacoma & Roche Harbor Lime Company's quarry here, was instantly killed about ten o'clock this forenoon by the unaccountable explosion of a quantity of giant powder in a drying can specially constructed on the principle of a double boiler. The can stood close by a tree behind a little wall of wood and rock fifteen or twenty feet from the little fire where the water was heated. The men say that Mr. Wilkinson was going toward the can to get a stick of powder with which to finish charging a hole which had just been drilled, and was about four feet away from it when the explosion occurred. His face and the top of his head were blown off and his hands also, and his body and legs horribly mangled.

The unfortunate man was about 32 years of age, steady, industrious and reliable and highly esteemed by his employers and fellow employees. It is the first fatal accident which ever occurred at the great lime works, where many men are employed and where explosives have been used in large quantities for many years. The coroner has been summoned from Friday Harbor to hold an inquest.

Boys' Pea Jackets, $1.25, $1.75, $2.25; Boys' Overcoats, $2.25, $2.75, $3. B Williams & Co.

PRIEST WAGERS PARSON.

Five Hundred Dollars for the Anglican Church if Its Creed Has Been Wrongly Stated.

Kingston, Dec. 8.—The controversy beteween Rev. Father Davis, Roman Catholic, and Rev. R. W. Rayson, Anglican, as to Father Davis' interpretation of a Church of England article, has resulted in Father Davis offering to pay $500 to Mr. Rayson's church if he has mis-quoted or falsified any of the articles, as Mr. Rayson claims he has.

Mr. Rayson accepts and the matter will by mutual agreement go to three University professors for decision.

LIBERAL FALSE PRETENCES.

Mr. Foster Shows That Main Principles Expounded in Opposition Have Been Abandoned.

Sarnia, Dec. 8—(Special)—Hon. George E. Foster spoke to a meeting of Conservatives here last night. The feature of his address was an imaginary representation to the minister of customs, Mr. Paterson, by a chair, between whom and the speaker a very lively dialogue was carried on, greatly to the advantage of the chair. He thus convicted Mr. Paterson and the Liberals generally of inconsistency and change of policy, and declared that the tariff legislation of the Liberals had been dishonest and unmanly. He denied that the government had done anything to open up the Yukon. They had not put up a dollar in a trail in the whole Klondike region. Twenty thousand people are now in Dawson City, and the government has not paid out a single dollar for a system of sanitation which would keep them tolerably free from certain diseases and perhaps death. Police were a necessity for the Klondike, but a military expedition he held to be a useless expenditure. He praised the action of the senate in throwing out the Mann & Mackenzie contract, and asked where was the promised wave of retribution which was to sweep the senate away for its course on this bill.

WHEN THE DAY IS DONE.

Christ left us not a system of logic, but a few simple truths.—Haydon.

Love is master of the wisest. It is only fools who defy him.—Thackeray.

A woman without a laugh in her is the greatest bore in existence.—Thackeray.

Integrity without knowledge is weak and useless.—Johnson.

When James McNally, once known as the king of green goods men, was released from the Illinois penitentiary recently, after three years' imprisonment, the warden turned over to him $5,300 in cash and about $3,000 in jewellery. He is going back to Bridgeport, Conn., to live, where he hopes to regain some valuable property, consisting in part of an interest in the Meadow Brook stock farm and a handsome summer place.

On the eve of Harvard's triumph over Yale there died at the former college a man whose death cast a gloom over the whole university. This was John Milton Kullmer, 1900, who worked by day and prepared himself for Harvard by night; worked his way from his home in Great Falls, Mont., in 1896, and secured a position in Boston whereby he paid his college expenses.

C. A. Godson returned last evening from New Westminster.

Thomas Forster, member-elect for New Westminster district, is in the city.

FIRE ALARM BOXES.

To ring in an alarm break the glass covering the key, open the door and pull down the hook on the inner door once and let it go; remain at the box to direct the firemen.

All the fire halls are connected with telephone 538.

3—Birdcage Walk and Superior street, James Bay.
4—Carr and Simcoe streets, James Bay.
5—Michigan and Menzies streets, James Bay.
6—Menzies and Niagara streets, James Bay.
7—Montreal and Kingston streets, James Bay.
8—Montreal and Simcoe streets, James Bay.
9—Dallas road and Simcoe street, James Bay.
14—Vancouver and Burdette avenue.
15—Douglas and Humboldt streets.
16—Humboldt and Rupert streets.
23—Fort and Government streets.
24—Yates and Wharf streets.
25—Johnson and Government streets.
26—Douglas st. between Fort and View.
27—No. 1 Fire Hall, Pandora street.
31—View and Blanchard streets.
32—Fort and Quadra streets.
34—Yates and Cook streets.
35—Yates and Fernwood streets.
36—Junction Oak Bay and Cadboro roads.
37—Cadboro and Richmond roads.
41—Quadra and Pandora streets.
42—Chatham and Blanchard streets.
43—Caledonia and Cook streets.
45—Spring Ridge.
51—Douglas and Discovery streets.
52—Government and Princess streets.
53—Kings road and Second street.
54—Fountain, Douglas street and Hillside avenue.
56—Oaklands Fire Hall.
61—Cormorant and Store streets.
62—Discovery and Store streets.
63—John and Bridge streets.
64—Catherine street, Victoria West.
65—Springfield ave. and Esquimalt road.
71—Douglas street and Burnside road.

Dr. Chase

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The only possibility of a permanent cure is through the liver. The liver must be strengthened and made active. Stimulants only bring a reaction, which is still more to be dreaded. Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills have a direct action on the liver. They make the liver strong and active and regulate the bowels. Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills are purely vegetable, pleasant and effective, and act naturally. Only 25 cents a box, at all dealers.

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Sick Headache and relieve all the troubles incident to a bilious state of the system, such as Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Distress after eating, Pain in the Side, &c. While their most remarkable success has been shown in curing

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Headache, yet Carter's Little Liver Pills are equally valuable in Constipation, curing and preventing this annoying complaint, while they also correct all disorders of the stomach, stimulate the liver and regulate the bowels. Even if they only cured

HEAD

Ache they would be almost priceless to those who suffer from this distressing complaint; but fortunately their goodness does not end here, and those who once try them will find these little pills valuable in so many ways that they will not be willing to do without them. But after all sick head

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is the bane of so many lives that here is where we make our great boast. Our pills cure it while others do not.

Carter's Little Liver Pills are very small and very easy to take. One or two pills make a dose. They are strictly vegetable and do not gripe or purge, but by their gentle action please all who use them. In vials at 25 cents; five for $1. Sold by druggists everywhere, or sent by mail.

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INSOMNIA.

SOUTH AMERICAN NERVINE RESTORES REST AND HEALTH.

If the digestive organs refuse to do their work, indigestion and dyspepsia follow like lightning's flash—the nerves are shattered and then insomnia runs riot, and the patient is on the road to the mad-house or insane asylum. A well known Toronto newspaper man was a victim of nervous prostration and insomnia through overwork—retiring at night was more of a dread than a welcome to rest—prejudiced against medicines and remedies, he spurned the thought of resorting to what he called nostrums—he became almost incapacitated for work—he was recommended to try South American Nervine, procured a bottle and when half of it had been taken, he found himself improving—sleep was induced, the nerves grew quieter, the appetite returned—he continued to take the remedy until he had used six bottles, and at the end of that time the twenty pounds he had lost in worry and for want of rest was put on again—to-day he says, "I feel strong enough to do two days' work in one."

South American Nervine is without a peer in the cure of nervousness, indigestion and insomnia. A few doses will convince the most sceptical. It gives immediate relief and effects a cure in every case. Strong as this statement may seem it is absolutely true.

South American Rheumatic Cure is never baffled—relieves in six hours and cures after years of agony have been suffered.

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THE WEATHER.

Meteorological Office,
Victoria, Dec. 8, 8 p.m.

SYNOPSIS.

The vast high area mentioned yesterday has moved eastward to Manitoba and the adjoining states. Owing to the widespread influence of this area, the weather has remained fine from the Great Lakes to the Pacific, while in the Northwest Territories the temperature has fallen below zero at most stations. As the barometer is now falling, and the winds increasing along the Oregon coast, a change to unsettled weather may shortly be expected.

TEMPERATURES.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	31	43
Kamloops	8	16
Barkerville	14	30
Calgary	20	22
Winnipeg	—14	6
Portland	28	40
San Francisco	48	64

FORECASTS.

For twenty-four hours from 5 a.m. (Pacific time) Friday:

Victoria and Vicinity—Fresh to strong northeast and east winds, increasing to moderate gales off the coast; fair at first, then becoming unsettled and milder.

Lower Mainland—Winds mostly easterly; fair to-day, becoming unsettled Saturday.

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD.

Temperatures:

	Deg.		Deg.
5 a.m.	36	Mean	37
Noon	42	Highest	44
5 p.m.	41	Lowest	31

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:

5 a.m.	Calm.
Noon	8 miles north.
5 p.m.	12 miles northeast.

Average state of weather—Fair.
Sunshine—Four hours 24 minutes.

Barometer at noon—Observed 30.479
Corrected.....30.428

E. BAYNES-REED,
Provincial Forecast Official.

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J. W. Haskins.	R. G. Cunningham.
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PEOPLE TALKED ABOUT.

Mrs. Humphrey Ward received $70,000 for her latest novel, "Helbeck of Barnsdale."

The Prince of Wales is reported to possess the finest collection of tobacco pipes in the world.

Ex-Queen Natalie of Servia is said to have the most beautiful teeth of any royal personage in the world.

The queen has a great fancy for powdered cinnamon, a large bowl of which she always keeps beside her on the table.

When the late Mr. Gladstone was in Naples, an iron gray hair from his head was sold by an enterprising press representative to an Italian deputy of high position for five francs.

Sir Edward Russell has published an interview with Rudyard Kipling, in which he describes the author as having ap ractical, spruce, athletic, well groomed little figure. The author is not pleased.

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BEHRING A CLOSED SEA

Incredible Report That Canadian Commissioners Agree to American Contention.

Compensation Being Matter of Grace United States Senator Would Refuse It.

From the Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

Washington, Dec. 7.—In the overshadowing interest in the outcome of the Paris peace commission, the nation seems to have lost sight, to some extent, of the really more important commission now in session in this city, most commonly called the Anglo-American.

The commercial relations of this country with Canada are so intimate that the Northern States, from Maine to Washington, will be affected in no slight degree by any change in the tariffs either of the United States or Canada. The principal work of the commission, now practically decided upon, is the granting of the American contention regarding the Behring sea seal fisheries. While the exact wording of the treaty upon that point cannot be given yet, it is known that the Canadians have agreed to the contention of our commissioners that Behring sea is a mare clausum, and the pelagic sealing by the vessels of British subjects shall be stopped. The Canadians realize thoroughly that if this is not done it means the death of all the seals and the extinction of an industry of considerable importance to them. On the other hand, the American commissioners have practically agreed that there shall be some compensation to the British Columbia ship owners who are thus forced out of a lucrative though selfish and inhuman employment.

Should this matter of compensation be granted by our commissioners, however, it will bring against the treaty in the senate a determined opposition. Senator Chandler, of New Hampshire, one of the most determined fighters in that body against what he believes to be a wrong, has already spoken strongly against giving any compensation to the pelagic sealers. He takes the stand that it needs not the consent of Canada nor of any other country to make more secure our right to the absolute control of the waters of Behring sea, and that it will go against the grain of the American people to pay any indemnity to subjects of Canada in order that she may quit her interference in those waters. If he can have his way, the British Columbia skippers will get no money for their vessels. He calls attention to the fact that it has only been since the sea passed under the control of the United States that Canada has attempted to have anything to say in the matter of pelagic sealing. While Russia controlled it it was very different. The indiscriminate poaching dates from since that time.

"I do not wish to seem harsh," said Senator Chandler, in discussing this matter, "but it is beyond me to discuss with patience the wrongs which the United States has suffered in the Alaskan fisheries. It has always seemed to me that the shortest way to have settled the sealing difficulties would have been to kill off all the seals; then there could have been no ground for complaint by Americans and no cause for further negotiations on that score."

On the other hand, Senator Chandler takes a most liberal view of the question before the commission as to giving the Canadians a free port of entry to the Yukon. "It should be given at once," said he. "It is as much to the advantage of Americans as to Canadians that every facility be given to opening up the Yukon region. Thousands of Americans have settled there during the last year, and it is the duty of the government to give them every aid in opening up the new territory."

As regards the revision of the tariff between the two countries, it is certain that no change will be made in the American schedules until Canada has abolished what is known as the English preferential. This in effect gives free entry to all English manufactured goods and is the greatest possible discrimination against the United States. This is one of the points upon which the American commissioners are fully determined, and they have good hopes that Canada's other interests will bring about a change in this regard.

The task of the American members of the commission is no light one. They have first of all to frame a treaty that will meet with the approval of the senate of the United States, and at the same time be liberal enough to be accepted by the Canadian parliament. To do this requires no end of tact and diplomacy, but in the latter field it is beginning to be generally understood by all nations that the so-called Yankee, although a little blunt and straightforward at times, has no peer.

Washington, Dec. 7.—The subjects under consideration by the Anglo-American commission, it is stated, include reciprocity and the fisheries, and while the commission are quite guarded, the idea is conveyed that reciprocity presents the most serious problem for solution before the way is clear to a treaty.

Senator Fairbanks has entertained the distinguished British members of the commission at the senate end of the capitol, and Representative Dingley will extend a similar courtesy at the house end.

It is understood that the session today brought more definite developments on the important reciprocity question than have been secured heretofore, and that the American side presented a schedule telling how far it was possible to go on this subject. Although the committee will authorize no statement, intelligent observers of its work say that the American proposition probably includes concessions on barley, live animals, agricultural products and certain ores, and possibly also some concessions on coal. It is therefore not to make concessions on lumber, which is the item on which the Canadian officials have been most desirous of securing reductions. At the same time, while free lumber does not appear to be contemplated by the present direction of affairs, yet there is a disposition among the American commissioners to admit certain high grades of lumber free of duty, but not to admit the low grades. The latter grades are the ones constituting the bulk of trade across the border and from the American standpoint a very heavy influx of these low grades dominate the market on this side. It is said the concessions which the Americans are willing to give are considerably short of what the British-Canadian side had expected and even felt to be essential as an offer to concessions already tentatively made on some other branches of the negotiations.

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TAX ON BONDED GOODS.

Canada Wrongfully Compelled to Contribute to United States Treasury.

From the Montreal Witness.

The United States government is exacting a war tax of fifty cents on every single shipment of goods going through its territory to Canada, in spite of the fact that shipments for the United States go through Canada in bond free from any charge, and that the same privileges through the United States territory are secured to us by treaty. Goods imported by way of the United States by Canadian merchants are entered by customs brokers at New York or elsewhere for which service the importer does not object to pay a fee; but he does object to be taxed in any degree whatever, as a matter of right, because if a tax of fifty cents can be imposed a prohibitive tax could be imposed as well, and the Canadian bonding privileges would be lost.

The merchandise forwarders in New York who have been acting for Canadian importers frequently have tried to get this fifty cents war tax taken off, but without success. The bond clause upon which this tax is extorted reads as follows:

Bond.—For indemnifying any person or persons, firm or corporation, who shall have become bound, or engaged as surety for the payment of any sum of money, or for the due execution or performance of the duties of any office or position, and to account for any money received by virtue thereof, and all other bonds of any description, except such as may be required in legal proceedings, not otherwise provided for in this schedule, fifty cents.

The reason claimed for the payment of this sum is that on all goods going to Canada from the United States it is necessary to make an entry at the port where received and give a bond to the government for the value of the goods. This bond is required on every single entry and can only be cancelled on production of the landing certificate.

Bonding privileges stand in the position of an exchange between the United States and Canada, and the attention of Sir Wilfrid Laurier at Washington has been called to this action of the United States government. A season has been entered upon during which a very large proportion of the imports to Canada come through the United States to this country, on through bill of lading from Europe and elsewhere, via New York or other American cities. It is certainly not in keeping with the spirit of the "Bond Privilege" that goods in transit should be assailed by any special tax of this character. A special tax might be levied which would be sufficient to prohibit the very privilege granted. It is possible that the customs officials at United States ports are acting under misapprehension, or that they are in error in refusing entry papers without the payment of the tax. The trade of this country, whatever be the reason, is determined not to stand it, and the Canadian commissioners at Washington, through the Premier, have been asked to bring it before the commission.

Mr. Henry Miles has also taken up the case and the council of the board of trade will be asked to pronounce upon it this afternoon.

GOLDEN RIVER QUESNELLE.

Great Engineering Operations From Which a Rich Harvest Is Expected.

From the Ashcroft Mining Journal.

Joseph Hunter, ex-M. P. P., chief engineer and general manager of the Golden River Quesnelle company, was a passenger on the down stage from Cariboo last Tuesday, and spent a day in Ashcroft on business. To a Journal reporter Mr. Hunter stated that the dam was now completed and actual mining had been begun. The nine gates, 12x14, were in thorough working order. These gates are the largest of their kind used for mining purposes, and they can be opened and shut with perfect ease by two men, notwithstanding their great surface resistance of water pressure. In speaking of the work, Mr. Hunter said the dam was an unqualified success and fulfilled all the claims made for it, which has no doubt disappointed many of the "I told you so's." Operations will be resumed about March, when the company may expect to realize something good for their enterprise and investment.

A few days before leaving the dam, after arranging to close down until spring, Mr. Hunter caused the gates to be raised, and the pent-up water began flowing down the channel to the north fork of the Quesnelle, about nine miles away. Unfortunately there had been, as was reported in the Journal, a very extensive slide from the roadside of the south fork just above the bridge, and only a short distance above the town of Quesnelle Forks. This slide, which occurred about six weeks ago, had given great trouble to the representative of the government, Mr. Stevenson, who under instructions had caused to be driven 136 piles in the opposite bank, to try to prevent the embankment from giving way. The first hour that the gates were opened, about 30 of these piles were washed out, and the bridge and town again endangered. A messenger on horseback was despatched to the dam to ask Mr. Hunter if he could not again close the gates, which he did. Repairs are again going on, and when the gates are again opened, as they will be in a few days, only a moderate amount of water will be allowed to pass through at first, and Mr. Hunter speaks hopefully of any disaster being averted. It would be a serious thing indeed if the bridge were washed out and the townsite flooded, and in spite of Mr. Stevenson's excellent work, trouble should in some measure be made. The road along the hillside went down with the last slide, and is again being put in under the bluff.

Mr. Hunter speaks hopefully of the outlook for the Golden River Quesnelle mining company. Operations will be pushed vigorously early in the spring. The steam derricks have not proved as useful as was expected. They are cumbersome, and cause a great deal of time to be lost in moving up or down the stream. Fourteen days of valuable time were lost by reason of entirely unjustifiable delay of getting machinery delivered promptly.

Of the output for the short time actual mining was done, Mr. Hunter did not speak, as of course his reports go direct to his company, who are entitled to first information, but it being a stock company, the results will in time be known to the public. Whatever the final results as a mining proposition may prove, the difficulties have been overcome, and the work, as shown by the results, a great piece of engineering, and Mr. Hunter, as engineer, is to be congratulated on its complete success.

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Current Comment

A SHAMEFUL DEAL.

It now appears that the International commission is about to concentrate its energies on the seal question; and so far as can be seen it looks as though the Canadian commissioners are ready to barter away Canada's rights on the high seas, so far as Behring sea seals are concerned, for the price of a few schooners and some sealing tackle. If this should prove to be true it will be another Grit deal to be stopped. No one would think of charging Lord Herchell with it; the Canadian commissioners would be exclusively to blame.—Halifax Herald.

WAKING UP.

If the B. C. sealers are to get the money and Uncle Samuel is to get the ships, what is Canada to get for her sealing rights?—Ottawa Journal.

THE SENATE CALLED IN.

It seems to be definitely settled that the Canadian commissioners at Washington are to agree to give Uncle Sam vessels to the value of $543,000, and a sealing industry which brings in $750,000 a year, all for the sum of $500,000, or, at most, $600,000—the latter figure if the Canadian commissioners get all they ask! Sir Wilfrid Laurier was quite right when he said he was not a business man. Let us be thankful for the Canadian Senate.—Hamilton Spectator.

WORTH MANY MILLIONS.

It is gratifying to note that the criticisms of the proposed Behring sea settlement have spurred up our commissioners to try for something more.

How they could ever have contemplated the sale of our rights in the ocean for a few hundred thousand dollars it is difficult to imagine.

The sealing industry brings in $750,000 a year, and that at four per cent. is equal to eighteen millions of dollars.—Toronto Mail and Empire.

PATRONS' EYES OPENED.

Mr. J. Lockie Wilson, the president of the Patrons, is disappointed. He says: "We thought the men who fought so strongly against extravagant expenditure would surely be consistent enough to make some effort to maintain economy. Then, again, we were led to believe that there would be a tariff for revenue only, and not for protection. What was the result? Here is all we have received. The percentage of duty, for home consumption, on the total value of goods entered free and undutiable in 1893 was 17.38, and in 1897 it was 17.87. For the toll, as taken on the goods upon which toll alone is imposed then it would be, in 1893, 30.27, and in 1897, 30.4, of 23-100 of 1 per cent. reduction. This is not what we voted for." Mr. Wilson did not know them so well as did those who have seen them before.—Toronto Mail and Empire

THE YUKON SCANDALS.

With no end of declarations that there was nothing wrong in the Yukon administration, backed by the fact that information against any of the officials was invited, and was in no case forthcoming, the government has made a pretty complete change in the official list of territorial administration. The fact that most of those publicly accused have been removed from their offices while accusations hung over them seems to imply that mistakes, if not wrongdoing, had given some color to the charges. The outcome seems a little like a verdict of "not guilty, but lest you might be tempted to do those things whereof you have been accused we shall remove you from the opportunity."—Montreal Witness.

PROCEEDINGS IN CONTEMPT.

From the affidavits which have been published in connection with the contempt proceedings taken against W. H. Ellis and C. H. Lugrin, of the Colonist, it appears probable that those who launched the contempt proceedings against the newspaper men have done more to bring the courts of the province into contempt than has the publishing of anything that has appeared in the Colonist during the past few months. It is not so very long ago since the press of this province was prevented from discussing the actions of its responsible ministers by the cry about contempt of court which was raised after an action for libel was entered, but which has never yet come to trial. A few weeks later the members of the legislature were also prevented from discussing such action of the ministers by reason of the fact that a comparatively unknown newspaper man had been committed for trial for alleged libel in that connection. Now it is the Colonist people who are made to suffer because another crowd of politicians have the upper hand. It is time that the publishers of newspapers in British Columbia ascertained what rights they have and made up their minds to stand up together for them, instead of shouting gleeful chorus whenever one of their number is caught in the toils of proceedings for contempt of court.—Nelson Tribune.

THE PRESS AND THE BENCH.

Hon. Mr. Justice Martin displayed good taste in connection with the North Yale election protest case in declining to hear it. His Lordship stated that he had already acted against his will in election protest cases which had come before him. He said: "I have to announce for the third time from this bench that I do not wish to sit in these election cases. Owing to the absence of the judges, or their not being available, I have on prior occasions been forced to do so, but now that there are other judges available I would request you to take these matters before them." All fair-minded people will applaud Justice Martin's action in this respect. We are not, however, of those who hold that the action of any judge, no matter who he may be, or what his station on the bench, is entirely above the criticisms of the press. It has been one of the cardinal points in jouralism in Canada for the last 50 years. It was one of the guiding principles which marked the career of the late Hon. George Brown in his conduct of the Globe, and he was not backward in criticising what he believed to be unfair and unwarranted lines of conduct which judges upon the bench assumed to themselves. This was particularly demonstrated during the ever memorable suit which the late Hon. Adam Wilson brought against Mr. Brown personally for his animadversions upon that distinguished jurist's conduct on the bench, in connection with a very important election case. Mr. Brown defended himself, and for three days occupied the attention of the bench in Ontario, and with such marked success that the jury returned a verdict against him, carrying damages to the extent of one shilling only. Since then the great Canadian Thunderer has not been backward in criticising the actions of judges, it contending that even the ermine, of which all Canadians are so proud, should not be above criticism. Our belief is, and always has been, that the true palladium to our judicial, social, religious and political liberty is the absolute freedom of the press. But in saying this we do not for a moment uphold the idea that any portion of it should be carried away with the idea that licenses should take the place of liberty in abuse or vilification of any subject of the realm, no matter what his circumstances of status may be.—Vancouver World.

EXPORT HEADQUARTERS.

Great Eastern Brewers Selecting District Depots in This Province.

Beer of the famous Milwaukee brew has formed a very considerable factor in the cargo of each of the C.P.R. steamers sailing for the Orient during recent weeks. Indeed, to see the trainload after trainload of the nectar of Gambrinus that has crossed the continent one would almost imagine the United States forces on service in the Philippines to be composed entirely of good Germans.

Nor is the Oriental demand looked upon by the great brewers of America as merely temporary, and in consequence they are casting about for headquarters on the Coast from which to direct their Asiatic operations.

The Pabst Brewing Co., of Milwaukee, regard Vancouver with favorable eyes. There they are locating their bottling works with practically unlimited capacity, and of which Mr. G. C. Sauer is the resident manager. It is also intended to erect at the Terminal City a modern business block to cost from $30,000 to $50,000 and of which the most magnificent beer saloon on the Coast is to be the conspicuous and crowning feature.

Plans for the proposed block have been submitted to Milwaukee and orders to proceed with construction may come at any time.

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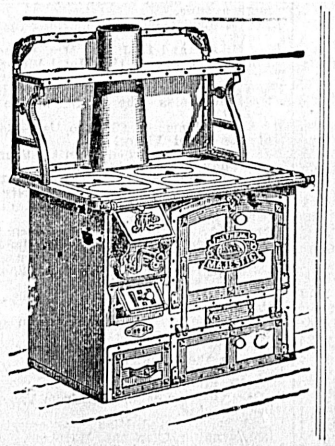

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